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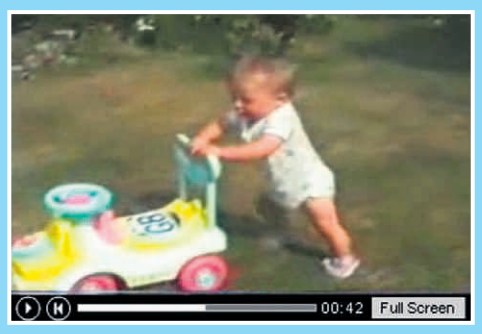

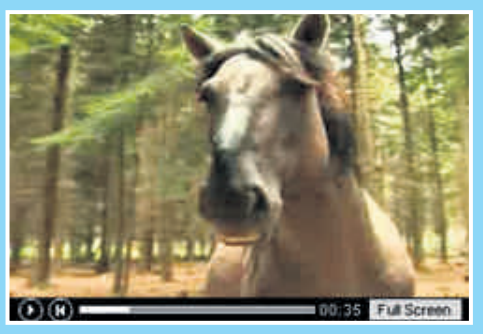

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HORRENDOUS: Drivers on Kent's rural roads are disproportionately more likely to die, says Road Safety Minister Jim Fitzpatrick

'CARNAGE'

Minister describes rural roads death toll

A GOVERNMENT minister has described the death toll on Kent's rural roads as an "horrendous level of carnage".

Kent Police figures show that 74 people were killed on rural roads in the county last year – more than a third of the total for the whole of the South East.

Figures for the last five years show the death toll has remained more or less the same.

Speaking exclusively to Kent on Sunday, Road Safety Minister Jim Fitzpatrick said he was "very worried" by the death toll.

EXCLUSIVE

By PHIL REILLY

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He said: "It is a dreadful figure. We can't allow this carnage to go on.

"We need to get the message out that you are three times more likely to die on rural roads.

"What we can say is, we are extremely exercised by the numbers of people killed. We have set ourselves challenging targets.

"Just as rural drivers are disproportionately killed, young and newly qualified are as well. That is why we are publishing a consultation document in autumn looking at the training and testing of drivers.

"Driving can be a joy, but it also carries very serious responsibilities."

Mr Fitzpatrick insisted the Government was "putting its money where its mouth is".

He added: "This year we have introduced the Road Safety Grant, which is around £110 million.

"For Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership that is just under £3.5m, £3.1m for Kent and £382,000 for Medway. That is a

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VERA BACKS DOVER'S BID FOR GEORGE CROSS MEDAL

THE campaign to have the town of Dover awarded the George Cross for its part in World War Two has been given a boost by the era's defining star.

In an interview with Kent on Sunday, Dame Vera Lynn, now 90, backs the campaign, declaring the town "a symbol of hope for the whole country".

The singer was known as the 'Force's Sweetheart' during the conflict and her song The White Cliffs of Dover became an anthem for both the overseas soldiers pining to go back to their homeland and families awaiting their return.

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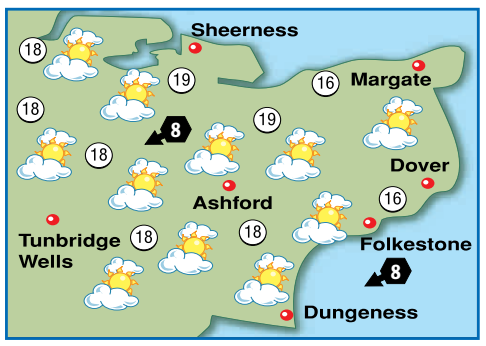

TODAY: Dry with sunny intervals and variable amounts of cloud. Rather mild in the sunshine. Light north-easterly winds. Max temp 16-19C (61-66F).
TONIGHT: There will be generally cloudy skies but staying dry. Light north-easterly winds. Min temp 7-10C (45-50F).

Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	cloudy	13	55	London	cloudy	16	61
Belfast	cloudy	18	64	Liverpool	fair	18	64
Birmingham	cloudy	15	59	Manchester	cloudy	16	61
B'mouth	cloudy	16	61	Newcastle	cloudy	16	61
Bristol	cloudy	16	61	Norwich	fair	17	63
Cardiff	cloudy	17	63	Oxford	cloudy	16	61
Cork	cloudy	15	59	Southsea	cloudy	17	63
Edinburgh	cloudy	15	59	S'hampton	cloudy	16	61
Glasgow	cloudy	16	61	Southport	sun	17	63
Isle of Man	cloudy	16	61	Swansea	cloudy	16	61
Leeds	cloudy	15	59	Torquay	cloudy	16	61

Sun & moon

Sunrise	7.05am	Sunset	6.20pm
Moonrise	2.44am	Moonset	5.09pm

Lighting up times: 6.20pm to 7.07am

High Tides

	today				tomorrow			
		ht (m)		ht (m)		ht (m)		ht (m)
Dover	09.33	5.8	22.12	5.9	10.19	6.1	22.50	6.1
Margate	10.13	4.2	23.00	4.3	11.07	4.4	23.48	4.5
St Mary's	03.04	4.6	15.24	4.9	03.51	4.9	16.08	5.2

Week ahead

monday Cloudy Dry max 16C min 9C
tuesday Dull Rain max 16C min 10C
wednesday Rain clearing max 15C min 9C
thursday Sunny spells max 16C min 9C
friday Cloudy Dry max 16C min 10C
saturday Cloudy Dry max 16C min 10C

New pictures from £53m heist released

A ROBBER brandishing a pump-action shotgun, wearing a dark boiler suit with a hood covering his face, is among new images released from Britain's biggest heist, ***writes Jenna Pudelek***.

The CCTV images have been shown to jurors at the trial of seven men for the £53 million armed robbery of the Securitas depot in Tonbridge.

They deny charges related to the robbery.

The pictures chart how seven robbers carried out the raid.

One is dressed like a policeman, others wear boiler suits and masks and another is wearing a high visibility jacket.

Conspiracy

The hearing began in June at the Old Bailey and Sir John Nutting QC, who is prosecuting the case, told the court that the use of disguises and masks made it impossible to be sure of the gang's identities.

Nicknames Hoodie, Stopwatch, Driver, Hi Viz, Mr Average, Policeman and Shorite have been used to differentiate between them.

The man dressed as a policeman is clearly holding a pistol and there is another image of an AK47 type weapon on the floor of the depot.

A Skorpion pistol, which was found in a white Transit van at Ashford International Hotel two days after the heist on February 20, 2006, is among the pictures.

Fourteen depot workers were tied up as the robbers made off with the stolen cash.

Stuart Royle, 48, of Maidstone, and his former business partner, John Fowler, 58, of Staplehurst, are standing trial.

Former depot worker Ermir Hysenaj, 27, of Crowborough, East Sussex, Jetmir Bucpapa, 26, of Tonbridge, roofer Lea Rusha, 35, of Southborough, and garage owner Roger Coutts, 30, of Welling, south-east London also face the charges.

All six deny conspiracy to rob, conspiracy to kidnap a security guard and his wife and child, and conspiracy to possess firearms.

Some of the defendants are not alleged to have carried out the actual robbery.

Signwriter Keith Borer, 53, of Maidstone, has pleaded not guilty to handling stolen money.

Hairdresser Michelle Hogg, of Brinklow Crescent, Woolwich, south-east London, was cleared on Wednesday of conspiracy to rob and other offences after charges against her were dropped by the prosecution.

The trial continues.

MASKED INTRUDERS: Images of three of the raiders in last year's Securitas robbery

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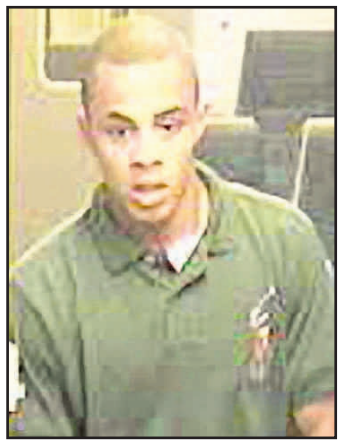
Policewoman clung to car as man drove off



CCTV: Image of the suspect

NEW pictures have been released of a man suspected of stealing a car, running over a female police officer and dragging her for several feet.

The man is believed to have stolen a blue Audi A4 from Chatham on September 5, before driving it to London.

The vehicle was later spotted in SE1 and followed by officers until it came to a dead-end street.

Two uniformed officers, one male, one female, then got out of their car and approached the stolen vehicle as it attempted to turn around. The female officer shouted at the driver to stop, at which point he drove straight at her, accelerating and mounting the pavement in the process.

The car struck her legs, pushing her forward so that she fell onto the bonnet of the car.

He drove off with the officer clinging on. She managed to hang on and was dragged for several feet before she lost her grip. The car almost immediately crashed into a parked car, but the man escaped to London Bridge station where he got on a train.

He is described as a light-skinned black man aged around 22, around 5ft 11in, thin and with short fair hair. He was wearing a green polo shirt, black trousers and black shoes.

Detective Constable Adrian Brown, from Southwark CID, said: "The officer was extremely lucky that her injuries were not more serious.

This man deliberately drove the vehicle directly at her and continued to drive even after knowing he had struck her, and despite the fact that she was being dragged along by the car he was driving, showing no regard for her safety.

"I would urge anyone who has information about the identity of the man pictured, or are aware of his whereabouts to contact Southwark CID on 0207 2326254."

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Wartime heroine joins campaign to award Dover George Cross

YESTERYEAR: 'Force's Sweetheart' Dame Vera Lynn feels Dover should be awarded the George Cross for its role in WWII

Dame Vera backing medal bid for town

HER song The White Cliffs of Dover was once a symbol of hope for soldiers serving overseas during World War Two, and now Dame Vera Lynn has backed a Kent on Sunday campaign to have the town honoured.

The former 'Force's Sweetheart' has endorsed the campaign to have Dover awarded the George Cross for its role in the conflict.

Although the honour is usually reserved for individuals, the island of Malta and the Royal Ulster Constabulary have previously been awarded it.

Dover became known as 'Hellfire Corner' during the conflict and suffered constant bombardment, being just 22 miles from France and within range of the land-based German artillery.

Speaking to KoS this week, Dame Vera, 90, said: "It is important to honour Dover not only because of the victims of what was going on, who went through so much, but also because it is such a landmark, a symbol of hope for the whole country.

"It holds a special place in my heart because of the song, and what that song meant to the boys who were leaving and hoping to come back. I definitely think it should be awarded the George Cross."

More than 200 civilians died and 10,000 of the town's buildings were damaged between August 12, 1940 and September 26, 1944.

EXCLUSIVE

By **PHIL REILLY**

As well as being shelled from France, the town was also a training ground for Luftwaffe pilots who would fly over to shoot down barrage balloons, and would often target civilians.

Campaigner Marilyn Stephenson-Knight, who is also the researcher behind the successful Dover War Memorial Project, said: "I think it is absolutely wonderful that Dame Vera Lynn has backed the campaign. Her song was symbolic of the hopes of the whole country during World War Two.

Mooted

"What the people of Dover went through during the war was unprecedented. The civilians were the real unsung heroes, they served and died as much as anyone, and they truly deserve this honour."

The idea was first mooted by the Lord Mayor of London Sir Frank Alexander in 1944, who wrote to the Mayor of Dover to say the town should be given the award.

Labour deputy leader Harriet Harman told KoS last month she would meet with Dover MP Gwyn Prosser to discuss the town's case.

Mr Prosser, who has also backed the campaign, has confirmed that he met informally with Mrs Harman at last week's Labour Party conference in Bournemouth, and said the two planned to meet formally once the new Parliament was in session.

Campaigners also intend to write to Prime Minister Gordon Brown, Mayor of London Ken Livingstone, the Ministry of Defence and the Ceremonial Secretariat, which makes recommendation to the Government on the awarding of medals.

D-day for prison

A CONTROVERSIAL decision on whether to expand a prison by adding an extra 44-cell block will be made tomorrow.

The Ministry of Justice has applied for planning permission at Blantyre House Prison in Goudhurst near Cranbrook.

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council's eastern area planning committee will make the decision after officers recommended it is approved.

Residents are strongly against the proposals, saying the development is "inappropriate" in a Special Landscape Area bordering an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Goudhurst Parish Council has recommended the application be refused.

EU called to act

A EURO-MP has called on the European Union to impose full sanctions on Burma.

Sharon Bowles, Lib-Dem MEP for the South East, has called for the EU to step up its action against the country after at least 10 civilians were killed in a military clampdown on anti-government protestors.

Mrs Bowles said: "If the UN is paralysed, the EU must step up and impose sanctions that will put serious pressure on those responsible for the suffering."

The EU has so far banned Burma's leaders from traveling to Europe and has implemented an arms embargo and a ban on military co-operation.

Blast kills major

A KENT-based soldier has been killed and two more injured in an explosion in Afghanistan.

The as-yet-unnamed soldiers were from the 1st Battalion Royal Gurkha Rifles, which has its regimental headquarters in Folkestone. The dead man is understood to be an Army major.

Thursday's blast happened as they were returning to their base at Kandahar Airfield from an operation in the neighbouring Helmand Province. They were 19 miles from their base.

All three were flown to the main British base at Camp Bastion, where the two survivors are receiving treatment.

High Court ruling allows dad to take the moral high ground

A KENT father has claimed a moral victory after a High Court judge ordered the Government to rewrite the guidance sent out to teachers accompanying copies of Al Gore's controversial documentary An Inconvenient Truth, ***writes Phil Reilly***.

Stewart Dimmock, a lorry driver from Dover, had hoped the judge would ban the Oscar-winning climate change film from being distributed to secondary schools because it contained "flawed science and partisan views".

Instead Mr Justice Burton said he would allow the film to be shown, as long as teachers warn students there are other opinions on global warming.

Mr Dimmock said: "Mr Justice Burton has been more than fair all the way through the hearing. Although I was hoping he would ban the film from being shown in schools, he has accepted our case that it is biased."

Mr Dimmock insisted he was not a climate change denier, and said the subject should be taught in schools "in a fair and balanced way".

Children's minister Kevin Brennan said: "It is important to be clear that the central arguments put forward in the film that climate change is mainly caused by man-made emissions of green house gases and will have serious adverse consequences are supported by the vast weight of scientific opinion. Nothing in the judge's comments today detracts from that."

The film was distributed to 3,500 British secondary schools in February.

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Potential teen MP's a true Benn

A KENT schoolgirl from a political dynasty could become the country's youngest ever MP after being selected to fight for a seat in the upcoming election.

By **PHIL REILLY**
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Emily Benn, who turned 18 on Thursday, is currently studying for A-Levels at St Olave's Grammar School in Orpington, but that has not stopped her being selected as Labour candidate for East Worthing and Shoreham in West Sussex.

If elected, the music, Latin and maths student would be the fifth generation of her family to take political office.

Her grandfather is Labour stalwart Tony Benn and her uncle is the current secretary of state for environment Hilary Benn. Indeed, her birth was even announced live at the Labour Party conference in 1989.

Qualified

Her mother Nita was also a No 10 adviser and press officer to both Glenys Kinnock and Ken Livingstone.

Her headteacher Anthony Jarvis described her as "an excellent student" and said he wished her every success.

Despite her tender age, Emily has already accumulated a wealth of political experience. She has attended the last 14 party conferences, including speaking in Bournemouth last week, and gained work experience at 10 Downing Street.

Having grown up in south London before attending school in Orpington at 14, she is uniquely qualified to talk about the issues affecting young people in modern Britain.

Writing in a blog for the East Worthing and Shoreham Labour Party website, she has already voiced her concerns for her generation.

She wrote: "Too many young people – among them some of the friends I went to primary school with – still leave school at 16, unmotivated and disillusioned.

"They don't seem to believe that further education or training is for them. So the really good achievements we get at 11 often seem to fall away. Something is going wrong when young people don't feel they have a stake in society.

"I really want to make a difference – to give people renewed hope, motivate them to get involved, enthuse them for the future and show all in our community that democracy really is the greatest ideal of all time.

"I may be young, but this campaign can be a symbol of what a new generation can do in partnership with people of all ages. We can challenge cynicism, we can defeat disillusionment. We can raise turnout as we show that politics matters to everyone.

"Being selected as the Labour candidate is a fantastic honour, and I am going to use this wonderful opportunity to listen to the people of this constituency and help them make their voices count."

The minimum age at which a person can stand for Parliament was lowered last year from 21 to 18.

Emily is not the first teenager to stand for political office in Kent. Astrid Frayne, 19, stood as Conservative candidate for a ward in Dover at the May council elections, but was unsuccessful.

CELEBRATION: Emily Benn

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Comic star Terry Jones heading to the festival

MONTY Python star Terry Jones is the latest big name to be added to the line up for this year's Folkestone Literary Festival, which is sponsored by Kent on Sunday.

The star was due to appear at last year's event but was forced to pull out due to ill health.

Appearing at the Folkestone Academy on November 8, he will be talking about Richard II, exploding a few myths about the monarch and questioning whether he really was as weak, wicked and wild as he has been portrayed throughout history.

Now in its sixth year, the festival's most ambitious programme yet features more than 70 speakers, with many big name authors lined up alongside poets, entertainers and artists.

Other famous faces gracing the nine-day event, starting on November 2, include David Frost, Roy Hattersley, Nicholas Parsons, Tony Benn, former Children's Laureate Michael Morpugo, David Starkey, James Naughtie, Sandra Howard and John Humphrys.

The environment is a major theme to this year's festival, with a screening of former US vice-president Al Gore's controversial documentary An Inconvenient Truth planned.

This year's programme also includes special children's performances, family reading sessions, a new event for young people featuring Colin Foreman, a cabaret evening, a book swap event, exhibitions and tours of the town. In addition to public events there will also be school sessions with writers and poets including Steve Tusane and theatre creators KAOS.

Children's author and theatre critic Lyn Gardner, who wrote the adventure story Into the Woods will also be giving a reading in the town's Waterstone's store, and lecturer Dr Keith Carabine from the University of Kent will give a talk on Harriet Beecher Stowe's tale of American slavery, Uncle Tom's Cabin.

• ***Roy Hattersley on his new book, Iraq and Spitting Image – see page 6.***

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THE £50 million Save Canterbury Cathedral Appeal has offered supporters the chance to play a personal part in its historic conservation project by sponsoring a stone or tile.

Two major elements of the work to protect the World Heritage Site will be the replacement of damaged stones and retiling of the nave and transept roofs.

David Innes, chief executive of the appeal, said: "We hope that people will be inspired to sponsor a tile or stone individually or to group together at work, at school or in their communities to participate in this great project."

A combination of centuries of weathering and modern pollution have left a harmful black sulphate crust and crumbling stonework.

People will have a choice of two types of stone to sponsor – an ornately carved decoration or the paler walling stone from Caen in France.

The French stone was first used in the original building back in the 1060s. Donors will receive a drawing showing the location of their stone and a certificate of thanks.

More than 3,000 lead tiles make up the roof, which is due from replacement due to leaks and wear and tear.

Sponsors can have up to three initials engraved on their tile and will receive a photograph of it.

For more information call 01227 865 346 or visit www.savecanterburycathedral.com.

Around £7m has been raised so far towards the cathedral appeal.

Cyclists pedal cash for appeal

MORE than £100,000 has been raised for charities including the Save Canterbury Cathedral Appeal, by cyclists who pedalled from the Kent city to Rome.

Paul Barrett, the managing director of car dealership Barretts of Canterbury, was among the 27 cyclists who rode more than 1,200 miles.

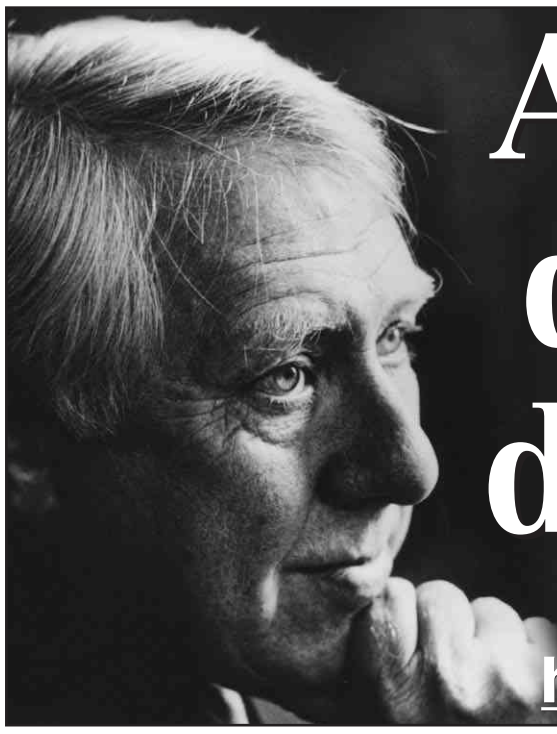
Each fundraiser chose a charity and Mr Barrett donated to BEN, the Automotive Industry Charity, which he has supported for a number of years.

The ride took 17 days this August and included a passage over the Grand St Bernard Pass in the Western Alps.

Mr Barrett said: "The idea started nearly a year ago with some friends over a drink.

"The biggest challenge was the high temperature reached in Italy of over 40 degrees.

"Most days we covered an 80 mile route with only a day of rest at the halfway point."



A few words discussing a different era

Roy Hattersley talks to KoS about his new book on the inter-war years

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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THE INTER-WAR years were a time of great contrasts with hundreds taking part in national hunger marches while others drove around in affordable motor cars and enjoyed trips to the cinema.

After the horror of what was dubbed 'the war to end all wars', most Brits were happy to escape into the new world of entertainment as the dark shadow of fascism festered in a broken Germany.

Roy Hattersley's latest book, Borrowed Time: The Story of Britain Between the Wars, explores this era of uncertainty and excitement.

The former deputy leader of the Labour Party and newspaper columnist appeared at Waterstone's bookshop in Canterbury to talk about the book this week.

Cathedral

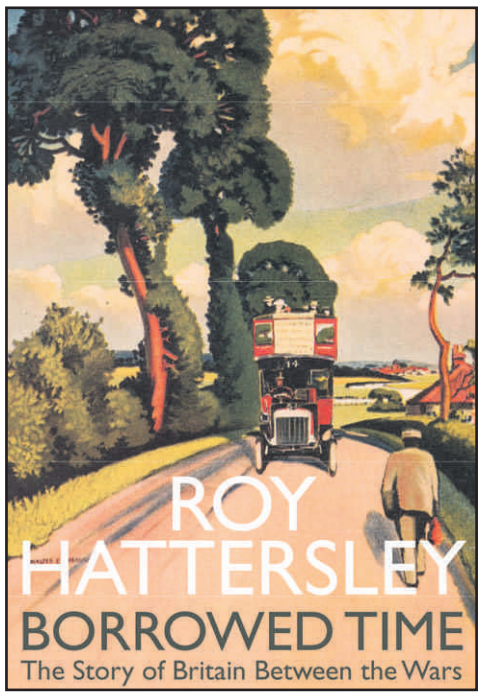
He spent Thursday at the city's cathedral getting an update on the restoration works and campaign that he helped launch last year to save the World Heritage Site.

Hattersley, an atheist, said: "I know how important the campaign is – it is not just a matter for the Christian community it must be preserved for everybody as a piece of history."

He spoke to this newspaper about why he chose to delve into the period which brought radio to the masses and the term 'modern' to the art world.

"When I looked at it I thought what an exciting 21 years, often tragic but also full of excitement – which is not a bad thing to write about," he said.

He said the real contrast of the time was between the minority of workers in the old traditional industrial areas and those enjoying prosperity, particularly in the South East.



MEMORY LANE: Roy Hattersley's new book

Hattersley pointed to the beginnings of the Americanisation of Britain with the influx of US films, he said: "Most films, like now, came from America.

"Their domestic comedies showed things we had not quite thought of – fridges and instead of bending down to sweep the floors, vacuums. Labour-saving devices from America [meant] many families were better off."

But there was also the fear of impending war, Hattersley said: "People tried to push it to the back of their minds after the slaughter of the First World War, which was worse than the second.

"Thousands were killed in one morning. People wanted to run away from the fact that Hitler was becoming a major problem."

Hattersley said he did not think comparisons could be drawn between the rise of fascism in the inter-war years and the rise of Muslim extremism now.

He said the problems in the region began after the First World War. The League of Nations carved up the Middle East, giving Britain control of Mesopotamia now Iraq, and Palestine, and Lebanon and Syria to France.

"We got the first crack at the oil," said Hattersley. "We are still suffering from these mistakes and we did not listen to what the people of those countries wanted."

With talk of Gordon Brown calling an early election, Hattersley said: "I don't think Gordon Brown should call an election, I don't know whether he will or not, it is a difficult decision. If I were him I would not but if he does then I'll support him."

And he added: "I think he is doomed [Cameron]. There is a certain state in politics when whatever you do you cannot recover – a point of no return."

For many, Hattersley is best remembered as the doll from the TV programme Spitting Image that had an exaggerated lisp and spat everywhere when it spoke.

Far from being insulted by the caricature, however, Hattersley is fond of it.

"I rather liked it," he said.

• ***Borrowed Time: The Story of Britain Between the Wars is £20 and is available from all good bookshops. Hattersley will be appearing at the Folkestone Literary Festival on November 8 at the Folkestone Academy, at 7pm.***

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‘Rural roads are in a much worst state’

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

specific increase on speed camera revenue.”

However, Ian Taylor, south east Kent spokesman for the Association of British Drivers, said putting money into speed cameras would not lead to fewer deaths.

He said: “There was a time, right up until the early 1990s, when there was a year-on-year reduction in the number of people killed on our roads since it peaked in the 1960s.

“In the 1990s it started to flatline, which coincided with reductions in the number of traffic police officers.

“They then put all their road safety eggs in one basket, relying on automated justice – things like speed cameras.

“To give more money to the safety camera partnership seems to be defeating the purpose somewhat.

“We need more traffic police on the road to target dangerous drivers, speed cameras only pick up people over a certain speed in a certain time and place. Patrols would be able to see how people are driving and do something about it.

“Maintenance of rural roads has also gone a little by the wayside, some are in a much worse state than they used to be.”

Lorna Jackson, spokeswoman for road safety campaign group Brake, said: “The statistics for Kent showing that the annual death toll on rural roads has not declined significantly over the past five years reflect an urgent need for investment in road safety.

“There should be clearer speed restrictions and warning signs on these unpredictable roads, with firm enforcement and tougher penalties.”

ROAD SAFETY: Jim Fitzpatrick

But in a surprising twist, Chris Rogers, project manager for the Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership, said the grant figure given by Mr Fitzpatrick was “misleading”.

He said: “That money is given to Kent County Council and Medway Council and it is entirely up to them how it is used. They may decide they do not want to use it for speed cameras.

“This is the first year of the Road Safety Grant, but our costs have always been around £3m. In the past we sent our bills directly to the Department for Transport.

Campaign

“What has changed is that we can now be more flexible with how we use the money. It used to be specifically for speed, but in the future it could be used to pay police to do other things, like pull in drivers using mobile phones or not wearing seatbelts.”

The Government this week launched a new THINK! advertising campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of driving on rural roads and particularly of speeding when roads appear to be empty.

A poster used in the campaign features a bunch of flowers tied to a tree at the scene of an accident next to the slogan ‘You see a lot more flowers in the countryside’.

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Bogus officer targets OAPs

ELDERLY people in Shepway are being warned to look out for a man impersonating a police officer to gain entry into homes.

A great-grandmother living in Folkestone is the latest victim of the impersonator.

He stole the 81-year-old woman’s life savings after gaining entry to the house in St Martin’s Road by showing a black wallet, which the woman believed contained a police identification card.

The man is white and about 6ft. He is thought to be the same man who conned his way into house at an address in Frampton Road, Hythe, where he stole £60.

The fraudster also attempted to steal from a woman at an address in Weymouth Road, Folkestone, employing the same trick although unsuccessfully on this occasion.

AN ELDERLY woman was threatened with a chisel by a masked robber who got into her car and demanded her keys.

The 68-year-old was sitting in her Rover 416 in Sittingbourne’s East Street at 5.30pm on September 27 when the man, in his 20s, opened the passenger door and got in.

After a struggle, the woman escaped and the man drove off in the direction of the town centre.

The victim sustained injuries to her hand and neck during the robbery.

Detective Sergeant Stuart Samson said: “In my six years working for Kent Police I have never come across such a cowardly act. The victim was lucky to escape with her life.”

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BULLISH: David Cameron addresses the Conservative Party conference this week

Cameron ducks grammar issue at conference

Education chief says Tory leader's failure to address subject could prove 'costly'

By **PHIL REILLY**
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THE debate over grammar schools was conspicuous by its absence from the main stage of the Conservative Party conference in Blackpool this week.

During his 67-minute speech, leader David Cameron stressed his commitment to education, but avoided discussion of grammars in favour of backing Labour's city academy programme, insisting the Government "should be making it easier for these new schools".

The controversial subject did come up at a fringe meeting, where former chief inspector of schools Chris Whitehead said Mr Cameron had made a "costly miscalculation" by ruling out building more grammar schools.

Kent and Medway have 39, more than anywhere else in the UK.

Roger Gale, Tory MP for North Thanet, said this week he believed a Conservative government "would not stand in the way" if Kent wanted to build more.

He added: "David Cameron has made his position very clear, but the debate is over whether we create any more."

Martin Frey, a spokesman for Kent-based action group Stop the Eleven Plus, which opposes grammar schools, said: "I'm always concerned when a topic of such importance to Kent is completely ignored by the main political parties.

Fight

"We have a situation in Kent where a quarter of our secondary schools got worse results than the worst one in Hackney.

"It is not just because the brightest children leave them for grammar schools, but they have higher proportions of special needs children yet get the same funding."

Mr Cameron was in bullish mood on other subjects though, not least the threat of an impending General Election.

Rallying the troops at the end of his unscripted speech, he declared: "We will fight and Britain will win."

He also addressed a wide range of issues, including pledging a referendum on the new EU treaty, promising to raise the inheritance tax threshold to £1 million and scrapping Labour's proposed ID card system.

He also stressed his green credentials when he declared, in front of a projected backdrop of green trees and blue skies: "Some people say it is not popular to talk about green issues. I

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MP slams Davis' plans to scrap ID card scheme

PLANS unveiled by shadow home secretary David Davis to create a border police force and scrap ID cards will "make it easier for terrorists to get into the country", according to a Kent Labour MP.

In his speech at the Conservative Party conference this week, Mr Davis slammed Gordon Brown's proposals for a unified border force and promised his own.

He said: "Gordon Brown has proposed a border service which he hopes will fool people into thinking this is the same as our proposal for a Border Police Force.

"But when Gordon talks about a border service, he's left out one rather key element – the police.

"His new border force is the same people with the same powers. The only real change? A nice new uniform."

ID PLANS: David Davis

He also described the Government's identity cards plan as a "white elephant".

Gwyn Prosser, Labour MP for Dover, said the Tory plans would "send us backwards".

He said: "Labour has had great success at securing our borders. We have moved on tremendously from the days when thousands of people would get under trains or into the backs of lorries and come across the Channel. Now only a handful get through.

"We changed the system so that the checks are carried out on the French side, and we can go further with the new border guards. We don't need to involve the police, who already have a distinctive role.

"More important to the integrity of our border is to go ahead with ID cards. For the Tories to scrap this will do more damage and make it easier for the terrorists to get into the country.

"Every time there's an issue of people escaping undetected it is because we do not have this secure identity card system in place."

OVATION: David Cameron, with wife Samantha, greets delegates after his speech

don't care. It's right and it falls to this generation to deal with this issue."

The subject of 'garden grabbing' was addressed in a speech by shadow housing minister Grant Shapps.

Mr Shapps told delegates they would "bring power back to local people" and "scrap the Government's flawed density targets which force people to live on top of one another".

Delighted

He added: "I know you share my concern over the practice of 'garden grabbing', so we'll change planning rules to recognise that Brownfield does not mean your neighbours' garden."

Greg Clark, Tory MP for Tunbridge Wells, who has claimed 68 per cent of all new homes in the town are currently built on gardens, said he was "delighted by the announcement".

He added: "Most people when the think of brownfield site think of some derelict industrial plot, whereas the Government say beautiful green garden plots are brownfield sites.

"This loophole is allowing thousands of gardens across Kent to be destroyed every year – it's time we put a stop to it."

Conservative supporters worried the party had lurched towards the centre ground in recent years will also have been heartened by shadow home secretary David Davis' speech, in which he pledged "substantial cuts" in immigration and promised zero-tolerance policing.

The United Kingdom Independence Party started its two-day conference at the Troxy Centre in London on Friday.

Leader Nigel Farage, from Downe in Bromley borough, told delegates he intended Ukip to fight every seat in the upcoming election, but was prepared to talk to the Tories about not fielding candidates in marginal constituencies.

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Conference round-up

KENT sporting hero Dame Kelly Holmes added a touch of glamour to the Tory conference.

The double Olympic gold medalist, from Hildenborough near Tonbridge, addressed delegates in the Imperial Hotel in Blackpool on Sunday on the importance of creating a legacy from the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

She told the meeting: "Having the 2012 games means we can inspire a new generation. If we get behind sport, we can make huge steps for the first time for the betterment of our country."

A CAMPAIGN group fighting for compensation for workers who lost their occupational pensions has welcomed Tory plans for a 'lifeboat fund'.

The Conservatives this week pledged to compensate 125,000 workers who lost their pensions when their companies went bust within three months of taking office.

The Pensions Action Group, which staged a naked protest at last week's Labour conference in Bournemouth, backed the plan but said it would keep campaigning until it became a reality.

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Record fine for poor service

THAMES Water is to be fined a record £12.5 million for failing to provide reliable information and giving poor service to customers.

Industry regulator Ofwat plans to fine the company, which serves customers in the Bromley, Bexley and Dartford areas, £11.1m for what it deemed to be "inadequate" reporting procedures and a further £1.4m because its processes and systems led to poor service.

Regina Finn, Ofwat chief executive, said: "Thames' reporting systems were inadequate. Deficient systems and low business priority on reporting non-financial data led to these serious failings. Our proposal to fine Thames reflects this and gives a clear signal to both the company and the water industry that non-compliance is not a cheap or easy option."

Thames Water hit back by calling the penalty "totally disproportionate".

Guilty plea of benefit cheat

A WOMAN charged with benefit fraud has been given a 120-hour community order and told to pay £500 in costs.

Annouska Brett, from Sheerness, received £3,752 more in housing benefit from Swale Borough Council than she was entitled to.

The 25-year-old pleaded guilty to failing to notify the council of a change of circumstances at Maidstone Crown Court and was also given a two-year supervision order.

Nick Saunders, benefits manager at the council, said: "If claimants fail to report changes in circumstances promptly the council will seek to recover the overpaid benefit and may consider other action such as prosecution."

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Babies need protection

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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BABY lizards have been welcomed into the world at a conservation park.

Their keepers are protecting the tiny reptiles from predators – which include their parents – who can be tempted to snack on their offspring if they feel peckish.

The new common lizards were born late in the season and conservationists at the Wildwood Trust, near Canterbury, were watching as the females grew so large they were ready to burst.

Although their name suggests they are thriving in the UK, populations have seen a sharp decline over recent years, the trust said.

The species is now one of the ten most threatened reptiles and amphibians in the UK.

Cali Bebbington, a keeper at the park, said: "The baby lizards are very small so they are difficult to notice.

"We have to make sure the parents get lots of food so that when the young are born they are not eaten – unfortunately lizards are not particularly maternal."

SUPERSIZE: The pregnant mother before giving birth to her babies (far left)

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Post office closures will hit elderly hard

By **PHIL REILLY**
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THE impending closure of one in five post offices across Kent has been deemed "devastating" by MPs – and sparked fears that pensioners could be forced to "stand out in the cold like a breadline".

The Post Office this week released details of the 58 branches it intends to close, starting a consultation period that gives just six weeks to make the case for keeping them open.

Labour and Tory MPs were quick to criticise the plans, warning of the potentially devastating effects on rural communities, particularly for elderly or disabled residents.

Roger Gale, Tory MP for North Thanet, said that post offices were becoming "an endangered species".

He said: "This is going to have a devastating effect on communities, particularly on the elderly and those who don't have their own transport."

Greg Clark, Tory MP for Tunbridge Wells, said that he feared elderly residents in his constituency would be left out in the cold, and called the consultation period "pathetically short".

He said: "These plans would decimate the post office network in our area. With such a significant reduction, there will be knock-on effects for busy post offices which are already unable to cope with local demand.

"Already people have to queue out of the door at peak times. It is unacceptable to expect elderly people to stand out in the cold like a breadline to collect their pension."

Crisis

Dr Howard Stoate, Labour MP for Dartford, said he was "extremely worried".

He said: "Some people totally rely on their local post office. It is their only means of communication and can be a meeting place to stay in touch with community and friends."

Sharon Bowles, Liberal Democrat MEP for the South East, warned that Kent now faces a "post office crisis".

"Post offices are a necessity for thousands of people in Kent," she said.

"Many other European countries already recognise this fact and put the necessary investment into their post offices."

Kent County Council has also opposed the plans, with Cllr Roger Gough, cabinet member for regeneration, warning the closures will cause "great harm" to communities.

Dr Stuart Burgess, chairman of the Commission for Rural Communities, said: "I would now urge rural communities to take every opportunity to make their views known and to use the consultation period to the best advantage."

Post Office spokesman Gary Herbert said: "Taking the decision to close any post office branch is always very difficult.

"We want to ensure that everyone who uses, relies on or has any concern with post office services is both fully aware of the proposed changes and able to give views on them.

"We believe these proposals offer the best prospect for a sustainable way forward for post office services in Kent."

KCC has set up an online petition and survey to oppose the cuts. It can be signed at www.kent.gov.uk/postoffice.

Shepway parliamentary spokesman Damian Collins has also started a petition to oppose the closures of five branches in the constituency. It can be signed online at www.shepwayconservatives.org.uk.

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Tug is car of the show

Police Ford comes back home after 20-year journey

By **PHIL REILLY**
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IT HAS been a long and winding road for a former Kent police car that has finally found its way back to the county after nearly two decades.

The former traffic patrol car, had been left to rust until former policeman Tim Smith, 48, found it in a back garden in Cornwall in 2002.

He named the car Tug because as a traffic patrol car it "tugged" motorists to the side of the road.

New career

Stripped of its seats and fittings and with the bodywork falling to bits, the vehicle became a labour of love for Mr Smith, who studiously brought it back to its former glory – and to a new career on television.

The Ford Granada has since starred in last year's ITV drama The Best Man and a series about a Welsh pop group for S4C, the Welsh version of Channel Four.

It narrowly missed out on a part in the new Doctor Who because Mr Smith was moving house.

The car has now returned to the county and is the latest addition to the Kent Police Museum in the Historic Dockyard Chatham.

Mr Smith, who bought Tug for £50 said he was glad it was going to a good home, and and received a cheque for £2,800 for his efforts.

He said: "I told a friend in Cornwall I wanted to restore an old police car and he took me to his backyard.

"There was this thing sat in the corner with flower pots on the roof and two old engines sitting in the boot. It was just a wreck with no seats and when I touched the near-side wing it nearly fell off.

"I knew it was a Kent registration. Even though it had all its markings removed I knew it was a police car – there are tell-tale signs where fittings have been removed.

"I started putting it together, with a little help and advice from John Endicott at the Kent Police Museum who is now a firm friend, and within nine months it was on the road."

Finding the parts was not always easy, although the ending of the Royal Mail train services in 2004 gave him a helping hand.

"It turns out someone had taken a seat out of an old police car and put it on a Penzance to Paddington Royal Mail train," he continued.

"By the time I got it, it had clocked up a fair few miles."

The car was last on display in Kent in Easter at the Medway Festival of Steam and Transport, when a chance encounter reunited it with one of its former drivers.

Mr Smith said: "This chap came up to me and said 'I used to drive that car'. I wasn't sure whether or not to believe him at first but he bet me that one of the door A-frames had been welded, which it had.

"He said it happened during the hurricane of 1987 – he was on the Medway bridge when the wind took the door clean off. I've restored lots of cars and there are always question marks over different things, but to find that out was incredible."

GOOD AS NEW: Ford Granada police car has been restored to its former glory and returned to the county where it first served almost 20 years ago

IN THE MONEY: Tim Smith bought Tug or £50 and is pictured receiving a cheque for £2,800 from John Endicott of the Kent Police Museum

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Jagger set to roll out greatest hits

Rock icon set to launch 'best of' solo album

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SOLO EFFORT: Mick Jagger says carving an identity away from the Rolling Stones has been a hard task Picture: REX FEATURES

MICK Jagger has described the difficulty of pursuing a solo career in the shadow of his role as frontman for the Rolling Stones.

The 64-year-old, who was born in Dartford, has just released The Very Best of Mick Jagger.

It includes his 1987 collaboration with David Bowie, Dancing in the Street, as well as lesser-known tracks such as the previously unreleased Too Many Cooks, which was produced by John Lennon in 1973 in Los Angeles.

Jagger admitted this week that he has found it hard carving out a separate identity from the Stones.

"But the thing is, you don't let it influence what you do. It's not an irony – it's a fact of life.

"And it's really not something that you are very interested in when you are making music."

The former Dartford Grammar School pupil added: "It's of no interest to you whether someone sees you as a singer with a band.

"You write songs and make records because that is what you want to do and you aren't going to be influenced by his or her perception of you."

Some may feel the release slightly pointless, given the continuing huge success of the Stones. Formed in London in 1962, the group have just finished a two-year tour which culminated in dates at the O2 Arena in Greenwich in August.

"Things have gone well," said Jagger, who added that the group had no plans to hang up their guitars yet.

"If you still enjoy what you are doing and the audiences still enjoy coming, then it's a two-way street. Beyond that, 'how long' is a crystal ball question."

Jagger's mother Eva famously disapproved of his decision to drop out of a degree in accounting and finance to pursue a career in music.

The band has certainly been prolific, having produced dozens of albums and sold more than 200 million records – enjoying more than 30 top-10 singles in the UK and America.

When asked how Jagger stays in shape he claimed he doesn't spend hours in the gym – instead relying on some simple advice from his father Joe, who died last year at 93.

He said he does a "minimum amount of training for the tour and then a minimum amount of training during it."

Jagger added: "I was brought up with this attitude that your body has to do a lot of things and you have to look after it. Some of that was bound to stick, but I have to say it's a matter of being lucky genetically. It's an inheritance."

And that is an inheritance his seven children by four different mothers will presumably enjoy. Jagger said he still has a good relationship with at least one of his ex wives – Jerry Hall – who he has a flat next to in London.

"We've got lots to share, so why shouldn't you get on?"

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Kerb crawler let off with £50 fine

POLICE are outraged after a kerb crawler dubbed Mr Potato Head by prostitutes escaped with just a fine for his seventh offence in a year.

Pervert John Steel, 57, was given an Asbo in May after he was caught for the sixth time.

The order barred him from visiting a notorious prostitute pick-up zone in Chatham, after cops gave up hope reforming the serial offender.

But vice officers were astonished when magistrates handed the self-confessed sex addict just a £50 fine for breaching his two-year Asbo, after he was caught yet again trawling the red light zone last month.

A vice squad insider said he should have faced stiffer punishment because breaching Asbos can carry a maximum five-year jail sentence.

The officer said: "This is unbelievable. We have caught Steel time after time trawling the streets for girls and for him to be let off with a measly £50 fine is just incredible.

SEX ADDICT: John Steel

"He's saying he's not going to do it again but he's said that plenty of times – he can't seem to help himself."

The source added that cops had spent thousands of pounds applying for the Asbo – and gathering CCTV evidence to bring loner Steel to justice.

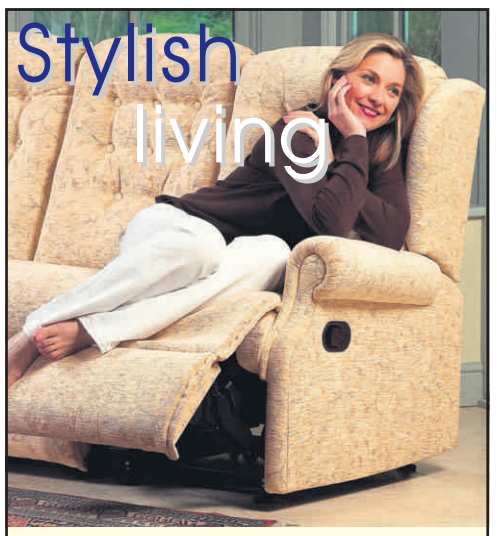
He said: "We expected a tougher sentence. This won't deter him and sends out the wrong message to other potential offenders."

Jobless Steel celebrated after walking free from Medway Magistrates Court last week after pleading guilty to last month's infringement and paying his fine with his dole money.

Steel, who openly admits blowing his benefits on £100-a-time prostitutes, said he was now thinking of trying dating agencies.

He said: "I've had enough. I had police coming round to my house in the middle of the night to check I was there.

"I might get on a dating website and try and take a few girls out. That'll probably cost me a few bob. It all comes down to money at the end of the day."



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Live the dream

Wright into history book as a pioneer

THE life history of a keep-fit pioneer has been included in the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography.

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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Gladys Wright, who was born in High Street, West Malling, in 1891, was a major swimmer and introduced the idea of keeping fit into schools.

Her motto for life was: "A fit nation: a people beautiful in body and sound in mind."

Ms Wright was the first of two daughters of master grocer Edward and his wife Clara, but she wanted more in life that serving behind the counter.

She travelled to Sweden to learn new techniques of exercise including gymnastics and swimming, something she later excelled at. Sailing and rowing were other passions.

She taught swimming at Rochester Girls' Grammar School and as the only woman in a field of 17, even won the treacherous 10-mile race from Aylesford to Rochester in 1918.

Gymnastic

It was after she trained as a physical education teacher during 1921-2 at Silkeborg in Denmark and at the Royal Central Gymnastic Institute, Stockholm, that she started in 1923 the English Scandinavian Summer School at Herne Bay to introduce PE teachers in England to modern Swedish gymnastics.

Ms Wright went on to found the Nonington College of Physical Education, opened by the archbishop of Canterbury Lord Lang of Lambeth in 1938 to train specialist women PE teachers.

With no expense spared, it was equipped with a modern gym and even an Olympic-sized pool.

As it is now, the government of the day was concerned about the physical fitness of students and adults, which is why it backed the college with its vast playing fields able to cope with just about any sport.

After her retirement in 1951, Wright retired to Canterbury, where she died in 1980 aged 89.

Dr Jean Whittles, who gained a Phd in education, knew Gladys well. At her home in Canterbury, she said: "I was a student and later a teacher at Nonington.

"She was a woman of stature who commanded respect from the people she taught.

"She was enthusiastic and could be a bit scary too. She was someone who demanded the best out of people and she did that well looking at how much Gladys achieved in her life."

The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography now contains details on 4,000 people from the county among its total of 56,214.

Dr Lawrence Goldman, editor of the dictionary, said: "Gladys Wright is notable for two reasons. Firstly, in the 1930s, in her heyday, she was at the forefront of a movement for physical fitness and body culture, particularly amongst women."

He said she was instrumental in getting women to become fit and active in sports.

"The second reason why she is notable is that her warnings back then are becoming true now," said Dr Lawrence.

"Fitness is back on the national agenda and once more we are concerned about fitness of the young and the lack of sports being played in schools.

"She was a pioneer of women's fitness and education – she was a leader in the field and was recognised for this at the time."

The dictionary was founded by Sir Lesley Stephen, Virginia Woolf's father and the first one was produced at the end of the 19th century. Oxford University Press rewrote it in the 1990s and published it again in its current form in 2004.

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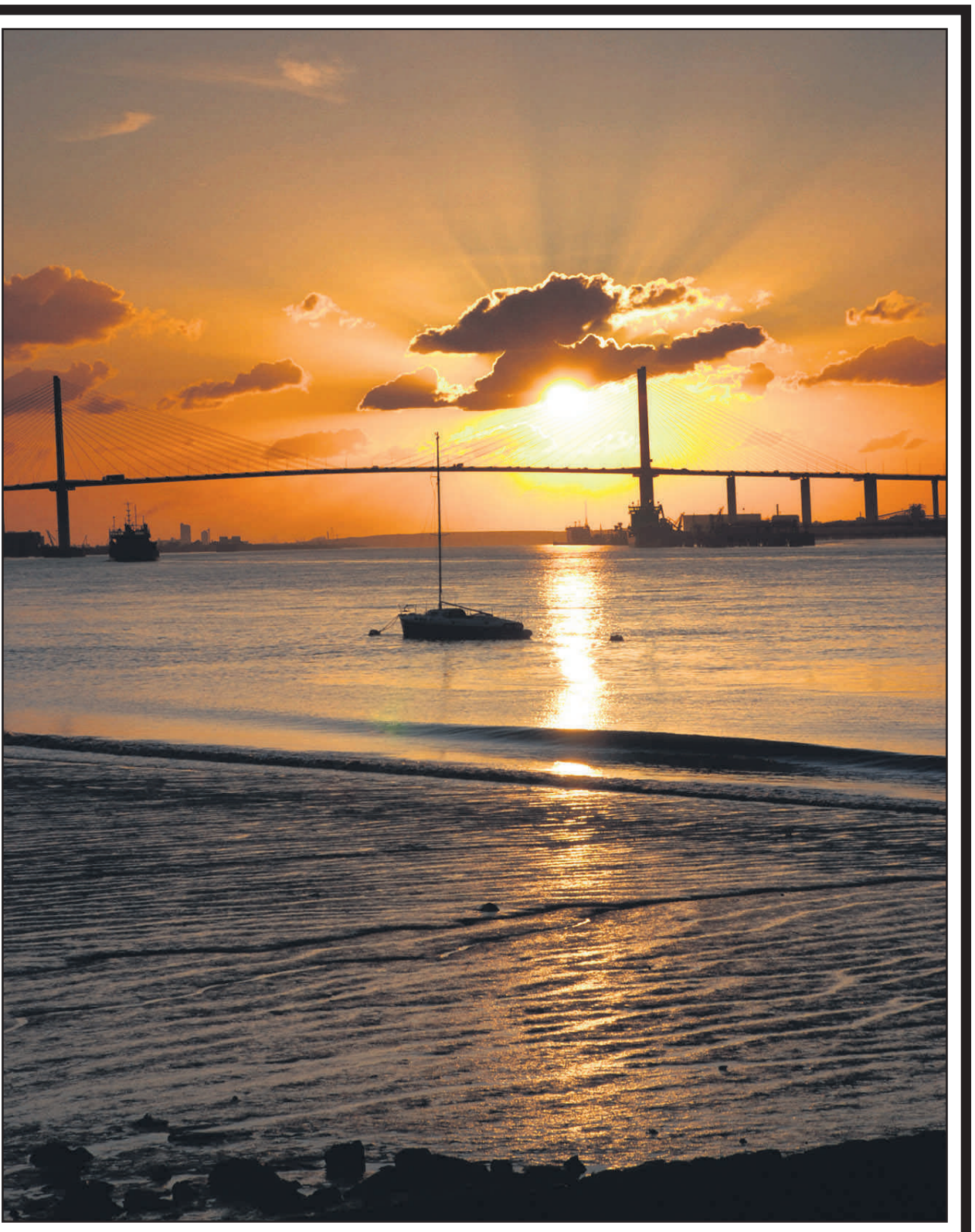

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Church has stood the test of time

Picture: DOVER MUSEUM

WORSHIP: St Mary in Castro church dates back to 1,000AD and is situated in the grounds of Dover Castle

WHEN St Mary in Castro church was first built, Kent was a kingdom in its own right.

Since then, the church, which is within the grounds of Dover Castle, has been destroyed by revolutionaries, ransacked, rebuilt and haunted by ghosts.

Nowadays, it is used for soldiers' weddings and funerals, and its association with the military is thought to date back to the start of the first millennium AD, when it was occupied by, among others, the Roman centurion still rumoured to haunt the site today.

He resides in a lighthouse, thought to have been built around 150AD, which stands next to the more modern church building.

The first place of worship on the site was built at around 630AD by King Eadbald of Kent, but according to its current incumbent, Padre Paul Wright, the senior Army chaplain for Kent, Surrey and Sussex, it may have been home to Christian worship long before that.

He said: "We believe some of the followers of St Alban, the first English martyr, came to Dover around AD 78, and may have occupied the site. Going that far back it is always difficult to be certain, but it is fair to say the church has seen a lot in its time.

"A church was built on the site in the seventh century, and in Norman times the castle grew and then it was destroyed in the English Civil War. After that it fell into disrepair."

It was restored and rearmed in the 18th century as the threat of invasion by

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Napoleon loomed large and has been maintained ever since.

The current building dates to around 1,000AD and is believed to incorporate Roman building materials. It is regarded as one of the finest late Saxon buildings in Kent.

During the reign of Henry III it really became a church for soldiers and in this period a military chapel was built on the south wall.

The church survived the dissolution of the monasteries, but its statues and ornaments did not.

When King Charles I received his bride Henrietta Maria at the castle in 1625 he endowed the church with a silver communion plate, which is still in use today.

Victoria Cross

There is now a permanent exhibition at the church charting its history, as well as the history of the roles of army chaplains in conflicts across the world.

The latter is a subject close to the heart of Padre Wright, who has served as a chaplain in Northern Ireland, Bosnia and Iraq.

He added: "The chaplain is there to be a friend of the soldiers, somebody who provides a spiritual leadership in a regiment so there is someone they can turn to for help and advice. It is not an easy job.

"Indeed, during World War One three chaplains won the Victoria Cross.

"From my experience the old saying 'there are no atheists on the battlefield' rings true. The proximity of death makes people think about the big questions and we are there for them, regardless of their religion."

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The class not only benefits Mums, but birthing partners and Babies too. "When mum feels relaxed and in control, her body is able to do what it is designed to do naturally, without interference", says Rob. "Not only can this help to shorten labour, but a relaxed mum produces natural endorphins which help both her and the baby feel good".

Birthing partners can also play an active role by learning how to emotionally support their partner, enabling both of them to focus on enjoying a positive experience.

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Schools turn on the WOW factor to tackle congestion

Kent Highway Services is leaving no stone unturned to find ways to help tackle congestion and we are not forgetting the traditional method – walking!

Walk on Wednesday is a new scheme that has been launched as part of National Walk to School month in October and it's an initiative that has been developed by Kent County Council in partnership with Medway Council and the Kent and Medway Walking Bus Group.

Walk on Wednesday encourages children, parents and staff to walk to school at least once a week, usually on a Wednesday, and can dramatically reduce the number of cars on the roads during peak hours.

A pilot scheme was operated in Thanet during 2006/07 and it demonstrated an average increase in children walking to school on Wednesdays from 48% to 79%. This increase was sustained throughout the winter months and the scheme proved so popular that more children walked to school on other days too.

Over 130 Kent primary schools are taking part this year and participating children have the chance to win prizes for their contribution.

At Kent Highway Services we're always looking for ways to improve rush-hour journeys for everyone, so schemes like this are very important to us.

If you would like more information about travel to school, you can visit our website **www.kent.gov.uk/highways** or call us on **08458 247 800.**

What you need to know about scaffolding and skips

If you're planning changes to your property, or just a big clear-out, you might think about hiring a skip or even scaffolding to help you get the job done.

Arranging either of these items is straightforward but did you know that you need to have a licence to put either a skip or scaffolding on the public highway?

A licence is needed to make sure that skips and scaffolding are placed safely and are not causing a dangerous obstruction to pedestrians and road users.

The skip or scaffolding company must apply for the licence on your behalf and it normally takes five working days to process the application. In the case of scaffolding it may take longer if we need to ask the contractor to give us design proposals or a risk assessment.

There is a non-refundable administration charge for issuing a skip or scaffold licence and you can find out the current fee on our website at **www.kent.gov.uk/highways** or by calling **08458 247 800**. If a structural engineer needs to be employed in order to process a scaffold licence application, there may be an additional cost. The skip or scaffolding company should pay all these charges when they submit the licence application, so make sure that you check this cost when you ask for quotes.

Sometimes it may be possible to place a skip in a parking bay, but you will need permission from your local borough or district council and you must arrange this yourself.

If you would like more information, or you're concerned that a skip or scaffolding is dangerous to pedestrians or other road users, please phone Kent Highway Services on **08458 247 800** or go to our website at **www.kent.gov.uk/highways**

See www.KentTV.com for up-to-date travel information

Extra money means clear signs for Kent

Keeping all of the signs and lines on the county's roads in a good state is important for the safety of both pedestrians and road users. That's why Kent Highway Services normally spends around £3 million on repairs to worn out lines and damaged, missing or stolen roads signs.

This financial year, we have used this money to make sure that the signs and lines are in good order where they are absolutely critical to the safe travel of the public; particularly on the roads with the highest speeds and highest volumes of traffic.

This is money well spent and has been essential to ensure people are safe, but it has meant that lower priority repairs have had to wait.

The good news is that the importance of high quality lines and signs has been recognised and Kent County Council has increased the budget by over 65%, with an extra £500,000.

This extra funding will be put towards improvements in urban areas, particularly at zebra crossings, traffic signals and railway crossings to make your travel around Kent as safe as possible.

If you want to know more about the work of Kent Highway Services or want to report a sign needing attention, please call us on **08458 247 800** or go to our website at **www.kent.gov.uk/highways**

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Kent Highway Services

Below are roadworks and events that may cause some disruptions. Please remember that these are planned works and other emergency works may be required.

Dover

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
Current	22/10/07	A258 London Road, Deal	Road closure from 8pm-6am – resurfacing works

Maidstone

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
8/10/07	12/10/07	Cranbrook Road, Staplehurst	Temporary traffic lights – new water mains

Tunbridge Wells

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
8/10/07	12/10/07	Hartley Road, Cranbrook	Temporary traffic lights – new water mains

Tonbridge & Malling

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
8/10/07	12/10/07	Knowle Road and School Lane, Wouldham	Road closure – traffic calming works
8/10/07	22/10/07	Snodland Bypass	Road closure – work on existing water mains

Canterbury

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
8/10/07	3/12/07	A28 Sturry Road, Canterbury	Temporary traffic lights – new bus lane

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Modern hacks have never had it so good

Ex Press Gazette editor Ian Reeves tells JANE CONNOLLY how rapidly-evolving technology is creating a different breed of newshound

THE next generation of reporters will have a world of opportunity at their fingertips, according to respected journalist Ian Reeves.

Former Press Gazette editor Reeves has joined the University of Kent to help set up a new journalism degree at the Medway campus, giving him the chance to welcome young hopefuls into the news industry.

The aim is to create a centre of excellence which will train students in the latest multimedia techniques from the very beginning.

"The whole business of journalism is changing in a way that is unprecedented in the industry's history," he said.

"All the rules are being rewritten, both on the business side and the way in which news is produced.

"Although the fundamentals remain the same, people coming into the industry for the first time have a great advantage over journalists who have been working for years.

Imaginative

"They have a freshness of mind because they have grown up with technology and developed with it. There are so many ways of telling a story now, requiring imaginative thinking."

Alongside the university's professor of journalism, Tim Luckhurst, Reeves will be setting up a newsroom at the Chatham campus in readiness for the first intake of students next autumn.

With 18 years' experience, Reeves has seen a great deal of change in the media world. He is a regular contributor to national publications including The Guardian and The Independent and also works as a media consultant. But while he embraces change, Reeves does not see the future of his protégées being threatened by 'citizen journalism'.

He said: "Getting your readers or viewers involved in subjects that are important to them can only increase their interest and understanding of the issues. But there are dangers in using footage or photographs sent in by members of the public – even if witnesses say something is happening a certain way, journalists still have to check the facts."

A NEW ERA: Ian Reeves is helping the University of Kent set up a degree in journalism

One of the most vocal critics of British journalism has been Tony Blair, who this summer denounced the modern media as a "feral beast". But Reeves believes even the most impressionable trainee enters the business with a good understanding of, and commitment to, the true spirit of journalism.

Manipulation

He said: "Mr Blair's rise to power was based on a careful manipulation of the media, so it was a bit rich when he chose to bite the hand that fed him.

"Taken in its entirety, British journalism remains the best in the world. It has its flaws, but it does the job of holding powerful people to account."

While the practicalities of modern reporting may be changing fast, there is one aspect of journalism that will always be taught at the University of Kent.

"For young journalists, it is vital to understand the importance of trust," Reeves stressed.

"When you are trusted to tell someone's story and you fail them in any way, you have the potential to seriously damage their lives. "Being a journalist can be a powerful thing, but there is also a lot of responsibility."

Coach thieves hunted down during chase

JOYRIDERS who took a coach from a garage were trailed by police cars and a helicopter as they careered across Kent.

Officers were in hot pursuit from Old Romney to Lydd and Camber before the stolen vehicle ended up crashing at a roundabout in Hastings.

The bus was taken from a compound belonging to Smith's Coaches, where a fleet of 18-passenger vehicles is stored.

But as the old Leyland's engine started up, the compound's heavy electronic doors opened for another bus to re-enter the depot.

At the wheel was driver Paul Hales, who soon realised something was amiss.

Mr Hales said: "I came in after a private hire job and as I was in the yard I saw a coach with its engine running.

"I thought that was suspicious and something was wrong. As I got closer I saw a couple of people who gave me a thumbs-up sign before speeding off."

Two men aged 31 and 27 and a 14-year-old girl appeared before magistrates in Hastings earlier this week.

Warning children of internet danger

THE danger of children using the internet was the subject of a conference held by Kent Police and the county council.

The 'e-safety' event took place in Maidstone on Friday with the aim of keeping youngsters safe online and warning them against the dangers of meeting strangers through chat rooms.

PC Martin Carter, youth crime reduction officer, said: "We need to highlight to parents and teachers that they can't ignore the potential dangers.

"They need to know what to do to help and protect children in their care.

"Filtering and blocking software should be used and parents should think about where the computer is placed.

"Too many children have an unprotected computer and web cam, which are often in their bedrooms where they are unsupervised."

The conference took place at Kent Police College and internet safety posters have been distributed to schools across the county as part of the drive.

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It girl parties with cruisers

A SWANKY new cruise ship has been unveiled at the Port of Dover with a little help from Ruby Wax.

The star was among the guests aboard the enormous 14-deck Norwegian Gem when it arrived in the port for the ceremony on Friday, which featured a spectacular fireworks display.

The 93,350-ton ship includes 2,500 rooms, a four-lane bowling alley, a rock climbing wall and a host of bars and restaurants.

The ship has been pitched as an 'It girl' by its owners NCL, and launched with a MySpace style web page, listing its favourite colour as 'leopard' and its interests as bar hopping and bowling.

For more information visit www.gemitgirl.co.uk.

Massive cars at dockyard

SOME of the biggest vehicles on the roads will be heading for Historic Dockyard Chatham this month.

Around 60 mammoth motors, including tank transporters, recovery vehicles and artillery tractors, will be on display next weekend.

It is part of enthusiasts' group the Scammell Register's annual Road Run and Rally. The vehicles will leave the site at 10.30am on the Sunday to drive around Medway, before returning in the afternoon.

It is the second year in a row the dockyard has hosted the rally.

For details visit www.scammellregister.co.uk or call 01634 823807. Normal admission prices for the site apply and yearly entrance passes are valid.

Fears bird at risk from airport plans

Bosses say species not under threat

ONE of Britain's most endangered birds could be further threatened if Lydd Airport builds its second runway, it is feared, ***writes Chris Murphy***.

The bittern has been making a spectacular comeback, but the RSPB is worried expansion plans at the airport will threaten the population once again.

This year, male bitterns were recorded at more sites than any other year since 1990, when detailed annual monitoring began, said the bird group.

Significantly, the new survey revealed this is the first time bitterns have been recorded nesting in a newly created reedbed; the bird's preferred habitat.

This has been created at their Dungeness nature reserve.

However, despite this initial success, the RSPB fears that if plans for the expansion of Lydd Airport are approved, bitterns may never return to the area.

CONCERNS: The endangered bittern

Chris Corrigan, RSPB regional director, said: "We fear that an expanded airport will be allowed to use safety rules to prevent us improving habitats in a way that will encourage more birds, like bitterns, to use the area.

"It is ludicrous to think that the unnecessary expansion of an airport could prevent effective management of one of the country's most important places for wildlife."

And Dr Mark Avery, the RSPB's conservation director, added: "We should be encouraged that the bittern is showing signs of recovery and we must not let this bird slip through our grasp.

"Dungeness presents another fantastic opportunity to enhance the status of this rare bird in the UK. We should not be forced to turn our backs on this by the expansion of an airport that nobody seems to want and that certainly is not needed."

But Zaher Deir, Lydd Airport's managing director, said: "We have done everything possible to foster a sustainable approach to development at Lydd.

"Despite the negative comments from the RSPB, it's a proven fact that birds and aviation can co-exist within the same surroundings"

He said the airport has been on the site for half a century and presently has around 30,000 plane movements a year.

Dr Mark McLellan, ecologist and sustainable aviation expert from airport consultants Parsons Brinckerhoff, said: "An issue is the creation of new water bodies and reedbeds in the 13km safeguarding zone.

"What I'm proposing is that the airport does not in principle oppose the creation of these features, providing they do not significantly increase bird hazard risk. In practice, that means situating them as far from the airfield as possible, but if the RSPB wanted to do this near the airfield, they would have to show, just as they have to now, that bird strike risk wouldn't increase significantly."

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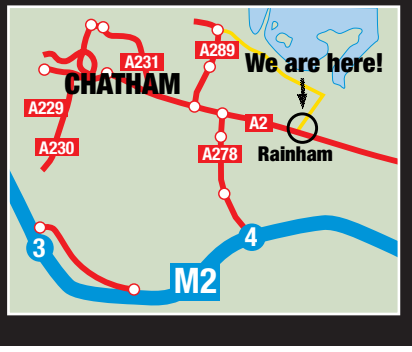

Jailed Langham will appeal to reduce sentence

TV STAR Chris Langham has launched a legal bid to reduce the length of his jail sentence for downloading sick images of child abuse from the internet.

The award-winning comedy actor, 58, was jailed for 10 months last month after being convicted of 15 charges of downloading indecent images of children at Maidstone Crown Court

The married father-of-five, from Golford, near Cranbrook, was told he will have to serve half the sentence before being released on licence. With time served on remand he could be free in four months.

Despite this, lawyers representing Langham yesterday applied to the Court of Appeal for permission to challenge the length of the jail term.

The star, who won a Bafta for his role in BBC political satire The Thick Of It, was arrested at his secluded country home in November 2005 after he came to the attention of child protection units by using file-sharing software to access sick images.

Detectives found indecent images of children on two computers and a spare hard drive.

During his three-week trial in August. Langham said he downloaded the images and videos when researching a new character for the second series of hit BBC comedy show Help.

His co-writer and co-star Paul Whitehouse took the stand to challenge this claim.

Langham also told the court he had been abused himself as a child on a sailing trip in Canada, where he spent some of his childhood, and that he was trying to come to terms with this.

CONVICTED: Chris Langham

He told the court he pleaded not guilty to the child porn charges as he did not want to be seen as a paedophile, but the jury convicted him of the 15 offences after less than three hours.

The comedy actor was found not guilty at his trial of having underage sex with a teenage fan at a luxury hotel, in his West End dressing room for musical Les Miserables and in his car.

As number of special needs tribunals increases,

'Not giving kids what they need'

By JENNA PUDELEK
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A NATIONAL charity has accused Kent County Council of allowing children with special needs to fail at school before it gives them access to the education they need.

If a child with learning difficulties or a physical disability cannot be taught at an ordinary school their parents or school can apply for a statutory assessment to be carried out.

The local education authority should then outline the help the child needs via a "statement", which is a legally binding agreement.

If the authority refuses to assess or issue a statement, parents can appeal to the independent Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal.

Kent is in the top 10 authorities in the country with the highest number of tribunal appeals, according to the Independent Panel for Special Education Advice (Ipsea).

Chris Gravell works as an advisor and policy officer for the charity. She says more Kent parents come to the organisation for help than from any other county.

Parents and schools that suspect a child has learning difficulties can apply to Kent County Council for a statutory assessment, which is the fist step in accessing a statement of special educational needs.

Ipsea's figures for 2006/07 show Kent refused to give twice as many assessments as Essex.

Ms Gravell said: "Kent's policy seems to demand that kids fail first and for a long time. They ask, for instance, that schools supply records of nil or very low progress over a year or more for cognitive difficulties, which are the most common learning disabilities, before they will offer children assessment.

"For a young child, this is an enormous chunk of their learning careers that must be wasted before they get a proper investigation of their difficulties via statutory assessment, let alone guaranteed help."

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Paedo charged for grooming

A MAN has been found guilty of attempting to groom three schoolgirls after a nationwide investigation into his online paedophile activities.

Shaun Pudwell, who lives in Gillingham, denied the charges relating to the girls aged 13 and 12, who are from Leicestershire and Northumberland.

Further charges he was found guilty of included inciting child prostitution or pornography, three counts of causing a child to watch a sexual act and five counts of making indecent images of a child.

Leicester Crown Court heard how the 40-year-old had targeted his victims using social networking sites on the internet.

Pudwell has been remanded in custody until sentencing on November 16.

His activities came to light after a 13-year-old girl from Leicestershire called the police when she received an email from Pudwell, which included a photograph of him naked.

a charity says we're failing children

She added: "Apart from the appalling problems these refusals are causing children, parents and schools, with the most vulnerable children and parents least likely to appeal and get things put right, the frequency of unnecessary tribunal cases should concern Kent council taxpayers – especially as Kent often pays barristers to represent them at hearings even when they are faced with parents who cannot afford to employ lawyers."

Ipsea acts as a watchdog lobbying the Government and drawing attention to authorities that are failing children.

Ms Gravell, who researched Kent County Council's performance, added: "Kent parents are finding problems more than in other authorities.

"Kent has recently, in the last two years, been high on the number of tribunal appeals list per 10,000 people. It is number seven at 7.47."

She believed the authority's criteria were "too stringent".

For example if a child suffers a head injury they might need full-time, one-to-one support, but under KCC's criteria the child would miss out, she said.

Ms Gravell also pointed to KCC's criteria for autism, saying it failed to address Asperger's syndrome, where children can perform well academically but have severe social difficulties.

Appeals

KOS Media recently revealed that 79 appeals to the tribunal were made last year after KCC turned down 399 applications for statutory assessment.

Of these, 13 went to tribunal and 51 were agreed with parents before a hearing.

Data showed that out of the 51 cases, 48 statements were issued – meaning 94 per cent of KCC's original decisions were judged as wrong.

Cllr Chris Wells, KCC cabinet member for children, families and educational standards, disputed Ipsea's figures. He said, for example, that KCC records showed refusals to assess were 28 per cent higher in Essex than in Kent.

Cllr Wells said: "There is certainly no requirement for an individual child to 'fail' for a year or more before a referral can be made or considered."

Kent's criteria states that assessment will only begin if a child has made a very low rate or no progress for at least a year.

Cllr Wells justified the wait.

"(This way) we can be sure that this is attributable to special needs, not another problem such as emotional, bullying or medical."

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BULLYING at school left Ben with suicidal thoughts and on medication for mental illness at only 12-years-old.

Wolmer School's governors failed to address the abuse he suffered, which left his parents with no option but to pull him out of the school.

Sally and Robert Pollard, who live near Deal, told how Kent County Council and the school had failed Ben – leaving him now at 15 without the majority of his secondary school education.

Peter Read, who is an independent education advisor based in Kent, has been helping the family. He said: "This is probably the most distressing case I have ever been associated with.

"Simply put Ben was bullied and could not cope with it and as a result he has suffered three years of poor or no schooling because KCC refused to support him."

Ben also has a learning difficulty, which can be overcome with the right teaching and support.

Mr Pollard said: "It has been a three-year battle and he still has not got a full education. It is like they are trying to destroy the boy, it is unbelievable."

After Ben had been pulled out of Wolmer it was decided he needed a statutory assessment. KCC refused but gave in when the Pollards appealed to the independent tribunal. But the authority would not give him a statement and his parents were threatened with legal action because he was not in school.

Mrs Pollard said: "We were very scared, we should have let them take us through the courts because of the evidence we had but you don't know everything. We were forced to put him in a private school while waiting for the statement."

Ben went to Great Oak Small School in Minster, but was again bullied and now receives maths tutoring at home and as of only last week, English.

"He has literally missed years eight, nine and 10. He is in a dreadful position to go into year 11 – it has been a complete failing of KCC when the evidence was there in front of them. As parents we feel we've let him down," Mrs Pollard said.

Ben wants to be an engineer and go to college.

"We are so proud of him, I cannot put into words the pain and suffering this has caused. I would not want any other parent to go through this, it's disgraceful," she added.

Mr Read pointed to a case that was resolved this week involving Sonia Gammon from Higham, who has been battling for a statement for one of her twins since 1999.

Brad and Brent both have special needs but while one was given a place in a specialised language unit at The Malling School in East Malling, the other was left struggling at home. On Monday, Brent was finally issued a statement by KCC before the tribunal heard the case.

Cllr Chris Wells, of KCC, said: "It is very hard to make black and white rule when there are so many variables. We strive to do our best but there will always be cases that upset people. With such huge emotional ties there are always going to be case where we are not doing what parents want."

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Archbishop criticised over weakening beliefs

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has been "seriously weakened" by his stance on homosexuality, according to an Anglican group.

Reform, which is made up of churches and individuals, criticised Dr Rowan Williams and claimed the Church was facing "an eleventh-hour crisis".

The archbishop travelled to the States last month to try and persuade the US Episcopal Church, the American wing of the Anglican church, not to ordain gay bishops.

The trip was deemed a success as the Episcopal Church voted against ordaining more homosexual bishops after six days of negotiations.

But Reform said Dr Williams had gone too far to appease the Americans.

A statement released by the group said: "It seems that those who are sympathetic to the Episcopal Church's position wish to keep all parties engaged in discussion, even though it is becoming increasingly evident that there is less and less common ground between the Episcopal Church and orthodox Anglicans.

"We are deeply concerned that the Archbishop of Canterbury's own position has now been seriously weakened. Recent press reports suggest that he has shown solidarity with gay activists in the Episcopal Church by joining them in a service of Holy Communion and by preparing to preside at Holy Communion with a private group of gay activists within the Church of England in two months' time. We are currently seeking clarification about this from the archbishop."

While in America, the archbishop told a gathering of 159 American bishops that homosexuality is not "a disease".

A spokesman for Dr Williams said he did not wish to make a comment.

LEGEND comes to life with a firework and light show spectacular set against the stunning backdrop of Leeds Castle, near Maidstone in Kent. The Mythical Firework Spectacular takes place on the Cedar Lawn on Saturday and Sunday, November 3-4.

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Leeds Castle has teamed up with KOS Media to offer two family tickets for Saturday 3 and three family tickets for Sunday 4 to the Mythical Firework Spectacular. To enter, simply answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your e-mail address (if applicable), name, address, and daytime telephone number to Leeds Castle, KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent, TN25 6SR. Closing date is October 26, 2007

QUESTION: When is the Mythical Firework spectacular taking place?

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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THE HIGH profile advertising campaign for Irish cider makers Magners has led to soaring demand for the apple-based tipple in England.

Since the ads first hit TV screens and posters appeared across the country in 2006, the drink poured over ice has become synonymous with a sunny afternoon in a beer garden.

Fourayes Farm, a manufacturer and supplier of processed fruit based in Sittingbourne, said the UK apple industry has been booming over the last 12 months due to the "Magners effect".

For the last financial year Magners reported a sales increase of 225 per cent.

Phillip Acock, managing director of Fourayes, said: "Supply has been greatly affected by the cider boom and particularly by the success of Magners.

"A much larger portion of the UK's apple supply than normal was sent to Ireland for cider making last year. This meant availability was tight for other buyers."

Julian Barnes, who owns Biddenden Vineyards – which produces a range of Kentish ciders – said the surge in cider drinking had led to an increase of 25 to 30 per cent in profits.

Mainstream

He said his sales had not been affected by the wet summer.

"We are working at the opposite end of the [market], Magners is promoting itself as a high quality brand but at the end of the day it is mainstream.

"Local and regional food buying and people's approach to buying locally has meant we haven't been affected by the weather.

"Biddenden's is not a cider you drink pints and pints of. We have a fairly loyal customer base that enjoys a couple of pints rather than drinking it because it's hot," he said.

However, Fourayes said severe spring frosts in Poland have meant a poor crop of apples for the year, which will affect supply in the UK.

Asked whether increased demand and poor harvests could lead to an apple shortage, Mr Barnes said: "I have heard of that but I think there is a fairly reasonable crop of English apples out there.

"Other countries have had quite reasonable crops so I think yes, there probably is competition, but demand for apples is far greater than it was before and that has come about through products like Magners bringing cider into the limelight.

"It is a good thing for the cider. Fruit prices went up and so did demand, but we have responded and raised prices a little bit to cope with the increase in the value of fruit and this year it is not so much of an issue."

Garrick Clifford-Cox and Peter Spillitt are

School merger under review

THE FIRST step towards merging a high-achieving girls' school with a struggling boys' school to form a new vocational academy, has been taken by Medway Council.

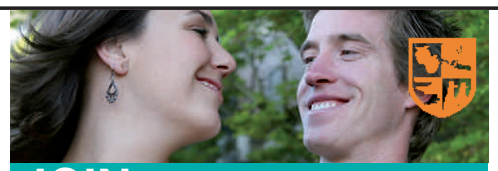
The authority's cabinet agreed last Tuesday to consult with parents, teachers, governors and pupils over the proposals, which would see Chapter and Temple schools in Strood combined.

A consultation document outlining the multi-million pound plans is currently being compiled ahead of the first phase of consultation, which runs from next month to mid-December.

Portfolio-holder for children's services, Cllr Les Wicks said: "We are looking to the future to ensure all our young people have access to first-class facilities. One of the council's main priorities is to give children the best start in life."

Labour spokesman for children's services Cllr Bill Esterson backed the academy but criticised the council over its handling of the consultation period.

He said: "Parents should have been consulted before the cabinet chose its preferred options."



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BUBBLY single mum, 25, 5'5", brown hair/green eyes, chef, likes cinema, clubbing, meals out, socialising, seeks caring male, 25-38, for a loving relationship. Ashford. Box 403593

ZOE, 27, 5'8", who enjoys pubs, restaurants, swimming, socialising, I'm looking for a nice, kind, genuine guy for friendship and more. Box 429391 P

RECENTLY separated female, 27, 5ft8, slim, blonde, green eyes, very easygoing, down-to-earth, seeks loving, mature guy to have fun, more. Deal. Box 426559

SINGLE lady, 31 years old, Maidstone area, enjoys cinema, going for drives, looking for an easy-going male for friendship, maybe more? Box 422222

RECENTLY separated female, 29, seeks humorous male, to bring the spark back to my life. Box 376148

BEAUTIFUL, black, curvy female, 30, WLTM honest, genuine man, for a relationship, more. Folkestone. Box 408865

SINGLE mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out, cinema. Box 406670

CARING, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

CURVACEOUS, voluptuous female, 32, with a warm sense of humour, looking for a genuine, thoughtful male for friendship and maybe more. Box 430307

SUSAN, 33, long hair, hazel eyes, tanned, enjoys the usual things in life, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 429879

CREATIVE, happy, loving female, 32, 5ft, blonde/blue eyes, seeks kind, warm, sincere, patient male, with a car, to share my life with. Box 392354

HI, I'm Annabelle, 32, blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, divorced, 2 children, WLTM a tall, local man, enjoys sport, shopping and relaxing. Tonbridge. Box 420609

AFRICAN lady, 33, brown eyes, likes socialising, music, pubs, cinema, seeks male for friendship/more. Box 413128

LOVING, caring, black African female, 33, school teacher, WLTM caring, honest, loving, open, professional man, 35-50 with good values in life, for something meaningful. Box 422460

HONEST and caring woman, 35yrs old, enjoys pubs, cinema, theatre, and much more, seeks a kind, caring gentleman for friendship, romance. Box 428206

LOVING female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

36YR old single lady, long blonde hair, big blue eyes, slim, 5ft7, looking for a guy who's caring, honest, for TLC and maybe more. Box 902011

PROFESSIONAL lady, 36, single parent, Dover/Folkestone seeks happy, honest, humourous guy, 34-42ish to enjoy life with. Love cinema, shows, walks and much more. Box 902664 P

FUN, loving, attractive, kind hearted woman. 36 years young, single parent, looking for romance and good times. Box 909110 P

36YR old nurse, enjoys fun and laughter, travel, nights in/out, music, dancing, reading, theatre. Seeking man for company, more. East Kent. Box 912176 P

HONEST, caring lady, attractive, from Tunbridge Wells, 37, hazel eyes, curvy, 5ft6, with a GSOH, many interests, clubs, cooking, cosy nights. Looking for stocky male, 35-45. Box 424364 P

ATTRACTIVE, trendy, outgoing, warm female, 30, dark brown eyes are a big feature, curvy but slim, like country pubs etc, WLTM spontaneous male for LTR. Box 403299 P

HI, I'm Julie, 39, 5'6", cuddly, blonde hair, blue eyes, pretty, likes quite nights and wild nights out, WLTM sincere, caring, guy, for love. Box 423251 P

DECENT 36yr old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, eating, having fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 739664

DIVORCED, affectionate lady, 40, large build, 5'6", love staying in, cinema, looking for a thoughtful male to share good things in life, leading to LTR. Box 430332

DEAL-BASED lady, divorced, brunette, green eyes, 5ft10, likes going out, pubs, clubs, cinema, shopping, walks, eating out, loves films and all sports except cricket. Box 430384 P

FRIENDLY, N/S female, 44, medium build, long hair, WLTM N/S male. 44-55 for fun, laughter, possible relationship. Ramsgate. Box 903566

PETITE, sincere woman, 44, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming, travelling, WLTM N/S man to share things with. Box 429682

CAROL, honest, caring blonde, 44, 5ft9, chestnut hair, blue eyes, medium build, divorced with 2 kids, many interests, seeks kind, caring gentleman for friendship, romance. Box 429778

DIVORCED female, 44, red hair, blue eyes, chatty, bubbly woman, enjoys the simple things in life, seeks loving gent to love and cherish. Box 429818

BUSY, energetic female, 45, 5ft2, blonde, blue eyes, size 12, professional, likes swimming, holiday, relaxing, walking, seeks down-to-earth guy. Box 428633 P

PASSIONATE, 45 year old lady, love reading, cooking, going out and about, looking for a fun male, with similar interests. Tonbridge. Box 425239

45YR old medium build, attractive lady, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, meals, cinema, WLTM a trustworthy, loyal male to share my life with. Box 426617

BLUE eyed, red head, 44, 5'2", enjoy pubs, clubs, cinema, singing, walking, theatre, seeks male 40-50 for friendship, maybe more. Box 913919 P

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FRIENDLY, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441 P

PETITE lady, 45, long brown hair/green eyes, GSOH, OHAC. Separated, no children, I love walking the dog, being by sea, socialising, cooking, travel. Box 420373

SINGLE, professional mum of 1, looking to meet a honest, reliable, fun man. I'm 47, 5'6", slim with long blonde hair and blue eyes. Box 902130

BLONDE, 49, 5ft4, brown eyes, slim, enjoys music, dancing, dining in/out and gardening, GSOH, shy at first. Looking for honest man for friendship... Box 904969 P

ATTRACTIVE, blonde woman, 5'4", 49, enjoys the gym, cooking, cinema, theatre, travel and restaurants, seeks male for friendship. Box 388091 P

SPORTY female, 50, 5'8", blonde/blue, likes golf, walks, socialising, eating in/out, WLTM fun-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5'10"+, to share life. Box 165367

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY lady, WLTM romantic, tactile and caring male, to enjoy life with! I'm 52 and cuddly. Ashford area. Box 902316 P

LIVELY, understanding female, 51, large build, WLTM genuine, loving male, 46-58, for lasting, loving relationship. Faversham. Box 399271

ATTRACTIVE, homely, caring 55yr old lady, 5'2", slim/medium build, GSOH, good conversationalist, looking for special person to share life's ups and downs with. Faversham. Box 406928

FUN-LOVING, bubbly, tactile lady, 50s, enjoys the good life, holidays and cosy nights in, I'm voluptuous & looking for a real man. Box 903560 P

FRIENDLY female 56, likes most things in life, cinema, clubs, pubs, WLTM tall, sincere, caring male, for friendship and good times. Box 320642

DIVORCED lady, 61, N/S, medium build, loves movies, classic music, comedy, restaurants, cooking, gardening, reading, driving, seeks tactile man, for something special. Box 424898

Men seeking women

LEE, 34, 5ft6, enjoys music, dancing, theatre, eating out, seeks genuine, N/S lady to enjoys good companionship together. Box 902343 P

WICKED sense of humour, old romantic, likes cycling, walking, live music, club/pubs. Sound good? I'm male, 35, seeking lady for friendship possibly more. Ramsgate. Box 908588 P

35YR old, separated father of one, very caring and honest, looking for someone kind, honest and loving to share my life with. Box 902187 P

35YR old relaxed, fun-loving male, 5'4", stocky build, enjoys walks along the beach, good food/wine, good company, looking for a nice female. Box 429998

HARD-WORKING male, 36, 5'11", well-built, enjoys keeping fit, cinema, socialising, WLTM a thoughtful female to share quality times together. Box 430268

36YR old relaxed, outgoing male, GSOH, into most things in life, looking for a female for fun, friendship and possibly more. Box 430270

36YR old honest, kind, caring, single male, blond hair, 6ft, like walks, cinema, nights in/out, enjoy family life, WLTM like-minded, genuine female. Box 430440 P

DOWN-TO-EARTH and loyal guy, 36, looking for companionship, leading to a long-term relationship. Enjoys meals out, good company & conversation, cosy evenings in. Box 914917 P

SHY, friendly male, 37, likes going out, quiet drinks, swimming, theme parks, looking for 22+ female, who likes having fun. Single mums welcome. Box 427657

HI, I'm Gary, 40yr old male, 5'11", muscular, tall, dark hair, enjoys most sports, looking for lady to share the finer things in life. Box 430142

HELLO you, if you're fed up with looking back at the past and wondering 'oh what if?' Then I'm your man! (41). Box 909888 P

JOHN ,43, brown hair, average build, likes socialising with friends, music, meals out, pubs the usual. Just looking for someone like minded. Box 430419

PROFESSIONAL male, 41, Interior designer, own home/car. GSOH, enjoys life to the full, loves walking the beach, cuddling up, socialising, seeks female, for love. Dover. Box 934107 P

TALL, good-looking former athlete, 44, lived in USA many years, likes music, sports cars, looking for good looking lady, GSOH, for friendship, possibly LTR. Box 430121

45YR old man, 5ft10, medium build, looking to begin again. I'm romantic, solvent, down-to-earth, enjoy most things in life, seeking a LTR. Chatham. Box 430228

HI, I'm Paul, 45, slim and fit, looking for faithful, cheerful female for good times and company. Box 430394

TONY, 48, 5ft7, medium build, likes wining/dining, music, walks, movies and nights in, looking for someone romantic to share my life with hopefully. Box 430219

HARD-WORKING male, 51 years old, going grey, likes golf, the beach, films, seeking easygoing lady, 40-60, who perhaps enjoys golf. Box 429857

LOOKING for a friendly, cheerful woman. I'm a 51yr old, single dad. I'm a professional artist and enjoy life. Canterbury area. Box 424770

52YR old man, 5ft9, green/blue eyes, N/S, 2 grown up children, 1 dog, likes most things in life, especially sport, clubbing, swimming, bowling. Box 430400

TRUSTWORTHY, faithful male, 57, tall, fair hair, well-built, looking for a cheerful, vibrant, open lady to share the good things in life with, maybe LTR. Box 430302

PASSIONATE, fun-loving male, 57, WLTM curvaceous, good looking female, 40-60, for nice times and romantic nights out. Box 400561

CANTERBURY man, 58, GSOH, hurt in the past, needs TLC, for friendship, relationship. I like meals in/out. Box 426226

SLIM, fit male, 5ft10, 63, N/S, blue eyes, own business/home/squirrel etc, many interests WLTM a kind-hearted lady with a GSOH (millionairess always welcome!!). Box 901915 P

Men seeking men

36YR old man, 5ft10, blue eyes, shaved head, enjoys pubs, clubs, staying in, looking for a loyal male, to have fun times with. Box 430380

I'M Paul, 40, genuine, down-2-earth, 5'9", GSOH, brown hair, blue eyes, average build, likes movies, DIY, theatre, keeping fit, travelling, looking for young male, non-smoker. Box 423252 P

Women seeking women

HI, I'm a tall, dark, slim, 20yr old female, bubbly, outgoing, GSOH, looking for a female, for good times... Box 424624 P

GENUINE girl, 21, looking for similar female in the Gillingham area. I'm slim, 5ft4, brown hair/blue eyes. I enjoy going out, music, having a laugh, films. Box 421206 P

YOUNG, 50yr old female, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, walking, music, seeks similar female 35-60 for friendship and more. Box 426866

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Trendy tipple has put apples as the top crop

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SUMMER'S FINEST: Magners Original cider and one of Kent's many apple orchards, which have seen demand soar since last year

the makers of Crippledick Cider, which they produce themselves using apples from local orchards and supply to local pubs and farm shops.

It is a small business they run alongside their garage in Bull Lane in Boughton, near Faversham.

Mr Clifford-Cox said: "Basically we have been doing it for many years. It is almost a serious hobby.

"It [Magners] has certainly increased sales – I would say at least 15 to 20 per cent over the last two years. It's very clever advertising isn't it?"

However, Ian Mitchell, of Foxbury Farm, near Sevenoaks, said the picture was not completely rosy for all apple growers this year.

He said: "We have not been aware of a huge demand from Ireland this year.

"Because of the wet weather during the year their [Magners] figures were not terribly good and they have not sold as much as planned.

"But cider has got a great future."

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AN APPLE week and festival is set to be held in a nine-day extravaganza at the National Fruit Collection's home in the Garden of England.

Brogdale Farm is hosting the events with Apple Week starting next Saturday and lasting until the following Friday.

Highlights include craft stall and a treasure hunt, apple juice, cider and wine tasting and food writer and cook Nadia Pendelton signing copies of her latest book The Melting Pot, which celebrates multi-cultural cuisine in the UK.

The Apple Festival, which will run over the weekend from Saturday to Sunday, October 20-21, will feature cooking demonstrations and tastings.

Chef Scott Anderson will be giving advice on growing different varieties of apples.

Entertainment for all ages includes face painting, a bouncy castle, a hog roast, Morris dancers and live music in the Orchard tearoom at the farm near Faversham.

Sally Roger, who is one of the events' organisers, said: "Apples are the best known fruit at Brogdale and it is fantastic we can hold nine days of different activities in celebration of them, with something to interest all ages and to encourage people to eat, drink and grow traditional varieties of apples."

Entrance to the events is £4 for adults and £2 for children, with under twos getting in free. For more information visit www.brogdalecollections.co.uk or call 01795 536 250.

KENT County Council's drug, alcohol and action team is preparing to welcome some of the Prime Minister's top advisers to see some of its pioneering initiatives for tackling substance misuse among youngsters.

Delegates from the Prime Minister's strategy unit, will be visiting the group next Thursday to see its approach to tackling the issues. They will look at several projects, including a social inclusion one in conjunction with Charlton Athletic.

Cllr Paul Carter, KCC's leader, said: "The unit wish to look at the association between substance misuse and criminal behaviour and the initiatives that can be used to tackle these issues."

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Killer fly research puts Kent on the science map

A LEADING bug expert has been short-listed for a top research prize for his work in controlling a deadly African fly, ***writes Simon Robinson***.

Dr Steve Torr, of the University of Greenwich at Medway, has been investigating ways in which farmers can use pesticide against tsetse flies, which spread the fatal sleeping sickness.

His work has earned him a nomination in the Times Higher Educational Supplement Research Project of the Year.

Dr Torr, a world expert in the control of the flies, said: "Tsetse fly is a dreadful problem in Africa, killing 30,000 people and two million cattle every year.

"Although insecticide is effective, it has not been widely used as it is too expensive for farmers and may reduce the immunity of cattle to diseases that are spread by ticks."

CONTROL: Cattle are sprayed to protect from tsetse insect

Using a form of DNA fingerprinting, Dr Torr and his colleagues at the University of Edinburgh found that tsetse prefer to feed on the larger and older cattle in a herd and mainly target their legs and belly.

Dr Torr said: "We've found farmers don't need to spray the whole cow with the insecticide and they don't need to spray every cow, cutting pesticide costs to just £1 per cow per year."

To date, 20,000 cattle in Uganda have been treated under Dr Torr's new system. Trials have also been carried out in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania and Zimbabwe.

Professor John Humphreys, pro vice-chancellor for research and enterprise at the University of Greenwich, said: "This nomination is a great honour for our natural resources institute, which has an international reputation for its work in the field of sustainable development.

"I am thrilled work which has been pioneered in Medway has been recognised alongside that of the UK's leading researchers and that it is already helping to save lives in some of the world's poorest countries."

The awards ceremony will be held at the Grosvenor House Hotel, London, on Thursday, November 29.

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If you are a working parent or planning to go back to work you may be able to get help with the cost of registered childcare through the childcare element of Working Tax Credit.

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SPEEDY: The 140mph machine is one of six high-speed trains that will be based at Hitachi's £52 million rail depot in Ashford

Public get the bullet

A JAPANESE-type "bullet" train that will be used by commuters in Kent was unveiled to the public.

The 140mph machine is one of six that will be based at Hitachi's £52 million rail depot in Ashford.

The Class 395, six-car trains will be used for Southeastern's high-speed service.

The depot's opening ceremony on Tuesday was attended by Transport Secretary Ruth Kelly and Japanese Ambassador to Britain Yoshiji Nogami.

Mrs Kelly said: "Today marks a landmark in the Channel tunnel rail link programme. This is the first major new railway to be built in Britain in over a century and the new trains will give the fastest commuter service in the UK; cutting journey times to Ashford, Folkestone, Dover and north Kent."

The Javelin trains will slash the current London to Ashford journey time from 88 minutes to 37.

Regeneration

Mrs Kelly added: "This is part of the Government's commitment to the regeneration of the Thames Gateway and the Ashford growth area. These domestic services will help attract new businesses and boost employment in the region and give the people of Kent much improved access to London."

The first trains will now undergo testing until they enter passenger service in December 2009.

They will also play a key role in transportation plans for the 2012 Olympics; taking passengers from St Pancras to the Stratford Olympic station.

The new domestic high-speed service is expected to have considerably higher ticket prices.

The Hitachi depot will employ around 100 people, according to Sir Stephen Gomersall, chief executive of Hitachi Europe.

He said: "I think it will contribute, in a wider sense, to technical knowledge in the area as well as through direct employment."

Defending the Government's inability to stop Eurostar's decision to cut services from Ashford to Brussels, Mrs Kelly said: "These are commercial decisions that Eurostar have made. They believe they will able to serve more people from the station at Ebbsfleet."

She added: "This Javelin service will be one of the most visible images of a new transport system. They are also symbol of wider railway regeneration backed by sustained development by the Government and private sector."

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Blood-suckers out of control

AN EPIDEMIC of bedbugs is particularly virulent at ports, say pest control experts.

Experts say the large numbers of people coming into the country – at gateways including Dover and Ramsgate – as well as global warming have caused infestations to soar 500 per cent in the last two years.

Millions arrive from abroad in clothes and suitcases each year and they survive and prosper in the recent warmer weather.

Kevin Higgins of the British Pest Control Association said: "We need to get this under control.

"The bedbug population is spiralling."

The blood-sucking bugs are red and brown in colour and roughly the size of an apple pip.

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BLUE MOON FOR M: Painting by Terry Frost is being auctioned; (above right) Terry with his wife and Neil Kinnock

An abstract Moon under the hammer

By **CHRIS PROUDLOVE**
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A STRIKING painting by one of England's best-known abstract artists is being auctioned in Kent.

Terry Frost, a former commando, decided to become an artist while he was a prisoner of war in a German concentration camp

He attended art school as a 16-year-old but gave it up to be an electrical engineer in his home town of Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. When the war intervened, he enlisted in 1939, joining a commando unit, but was captured during the invasion of Crete in 1941 and incarcerated in a POW camp on the island.

British art

Had that not happened, he might never have emerged as one of the best-loved figures in British art. Blue Moon for M, an abstract work in black, pale and dark blue and white acrylics would not be a highlight of an autumn fine art auction at the Canterbury Auction Galleries on Tuesday, October 16.

During his four years of incarceration, Frost met prisoner Adrian Heath, an artist, who encouraged him to take up painting and by the time Frost was demobilised, he'd decided that was where his future lay.

Using his ex-serviceman's grant to fund his way, he attended evening classes at Birmingham Art School, then St Ives School of Painting, and from 1947-50 at Camberwell School of Art under such luminaries as Victor Pasmore and William Coldstream. He also worked as an assistant to the sculptor Barbara Hepworth.

By the late 1950s, Terence Ernest Manitou Frost (1915-2003) had become established as a leading abstract painter, exhibiting regularly in London and internationally.

His first one-man show was held at the Leicester Galleries in 1952. He exhibited in London many times, with a major retrospective, Terry Frost: Six Decades, being held at the Royal Academy in 2000.

A leading member of the St Ives group of painters, he taught at Bath Academy of Art and Leeds College of Art, before becoming Artist in Residence at the Department of Fine Art, Reading University in 1965.

He was later the university's Professor of Painting. His first one-man show was held at the Leicester Galleries in London in 1952, returning to St Ives in 1956. He also taught at Reading University, before settling back permanently in Newlyn in 1974. The Royal Academician was knighted in 1998.

One of the forerunners of abstract painting in the UK, Frost was famous for his passionate use of circles and lines in his work and Blue Moon for M is regarded as a fine example of his later work.

The painting was purchased by the present owner at a one-man exhibition of Terry Frost's work in Cornwall in 1987.

Frost chose the work to illustrate literature for the exhibition and it is to be sold with an exhibition leaflet and with colour photographs showing the painting with Terry Frost, his wife and former Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock. It was purchased at the exhibition for £1,600 and 20 years later, it is estimated at £5,000-7,000.

Viewing for the sale is on Sunday, October 14 from 2 to 5pm; Monday, October 15 from 10am to 7 pm and on the morning of the sale from 8.30am. Sale starts at 10am. For more details, phone auctioneer Anthony Pratt on 01227 763337 or auctions@thecanterbury-auctiongalleries.com.

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Take the case where someone leaves a home worth £450,000, plus savings and other property adding up to a total of £600,000. This would trigger a tax demand for £120,000 - which could force the sale of the family home.

The saddest aspect of the situation is that this punitive tax could have been largely or even entirely avoided - perfectly legally - with just a little professional planning.

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"With property prices so high in the South East more and more families will face these swingeing tax demands,just because they weren't aware of the alternatives".

So, if you believe you may be liable for Inheritance Tax, it could make a big difference to your family if you take action sooner rather than later.

Inheritance Tax Surgeries

Laurie Cook and Darien Williams will be holding Inheritance Tax Surgeries at their offices in Westerham on 10th, 11th, 17th and 18th October. Appointments can be held in the comfort of your own home if you prefer. If for any reason these dates are not convenient, please still call as other dates can be arranged.

If you would like to know more about reducing or eliminating your Inheritance Tax liability, then telephone Gail Gore on 0800 298 7770 for a consultation without cost or obligation.

Numbers are limited - appointments will be held between 9.30am and 3.30pm and will last approximately 40 minutes to an hour.

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The Chancellor's Budget has caused confusion about how you can tackle Inheritance Tax. Laurie Cooke and Darien Williams are inviting readers to find out the simple yet effective steps you can take to protect your wealth. Inheritance Tax Surgeries are being held at their offices in Westerham on 10th, 11th and 17th and 18th October. Appointments can be held in the comfort of your own home if you prefer.

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KENT ON SUNDAY

COMMENT

We need to curb deaths on roads

THE fact that the number of people killed on Kent's rural roads has barely changed over the last five years is simply unacceptable.

The fact that number is as high as 74, more than a third of all the deaths on rural roads in the South East, just makes it harder to swallow.

Last week, Kent on Sunday featured the story of 11-year-old Samantha Horne, who was killed in an accident on the A258 in May, and that of Carla Goodburn, who lost her 24-year-old boyfriend on the same road last November.

It is easy to think of these deaths as statistics, but their stories highlight the pain and suffering caused to families and friends every time one of these horrendous tragedies occurs.

More has to be done to prevent these fatal accidents from happening, both by the individual drivers who take their own and others' lives in their hands, and by the authorities that manage the roads.

Pumping more cash into speed camera schemes is not enough. As Ian Taylor from the Association of British Drivers pointed out, there was a steady decline in the number of fatalities on the country's roads between the 1960s and 1990s, right up until the numbers of policemen patrolling them was reduced.

Speed cameras serve their purpose, but nothing is more effective than having police officers on the roads.

More cash also has to be pumped into improvements, widening roads and straightening out tight bends wherever possible.

Above all though, drivers need to take more care when they get behind the wheel.

OPINION: Turn failure to success

RICHARD PARSONS says there's no room for competitive 'hate' in a world of winners

WE all know that it is quite the norm down under in times of stress for a little Pom bashing to deflect perceived pressures. In fact, in Britain and especially in England we should be grateful for the attention. However, whilst it is up for debate, there is no real place in the world of sport for the word "hate" as expressed by John O,Neill, the Australian Rugby Union chief executive, ahead of yesterday's Rugby World Cup Quarter Final between England and Australia in Marseille. No doubt looking to stir the pot a little before this clash between the oldest of adversaries, he would do well to recall the lifelong friendships and bonds that have been forged even between the fiercest of opponents.

That is not to say that excuses anything other than 150 per cent on the pitch where battle is won and lost, but what it does do is send a clear but unacceptable message to all sporting participants and especially the young that it is entirely normal and appropriate to "hate" your opposition and mean it.

As with "hate" there is no place in sport any longer for the maxim "it's not the winning, it's the taking part" which was first credited to The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, Ethelbert Talbot during the 1908 London Olympics. For many years British sport took the "taking part" angle too literally and excused poor performance in this way. Schools in some areas banned sports days as being over competitive and others retained a sports day but with no winners or losers. A British participant in a minority sport on the eve of the 2000 Sydney Olympics was quoted as saying; "We're ******, basically. No-one told us we were going over there to win. If we'd known, we might have trained, or something like that. But this has come as a complete shock. It's probably too late to do anything about it now."

Good grief!

'As a nation it seems we are quick, as in sport, to condemn losers'

Fortunately times have now changed. Winning counts and we are allowed to celebrate winners. We have to accept that in sport as in the wider world there are winners and losers. Yes those that come in first have won and those that have come in second have in fact lost, not been runners up, simply lost. This does not mean we should hate the losers but need to encourage and nurture them to learn and work to perform at an even higher level if it is possible. That way we will see a far broader range of winner which will in turn breed more success.

Business and sport often run along similar parallels. There is no point being the runner up for a crucial business tender, no point being second in a bidding process, no prize for second place for a government contract. However, as a nation it seems we are very quick, as in sport, to condemn the loser, magnify the failure, despise the individuals concerned, rather than support and encourage losers to aspire to greater things; quite the opposite to our friends down under who understand the need to create winners from losers.

Those inspirational British businesses who now fly the flag for business both on an international, national and local level all started somewhere, have come through a learning process, drawn strength and experience from second places and often turned failure into blinding success.

Returning to John O'Neill and whether it really does pay to "hate". As in business hatred creates a loss of focus, obsessing on one competitor whilst losing sight of the bigger picture. Will beating England mean Australia will win the World Cup? Probably not.

Has O'Neill lost sight of the bigger picture should they beat England and face a show down against the seemingly invincible All Blacks in the semi-finals? Probably, yes.

His personal hatred of England has turned into obsession following England's sensational win in the World Cup final against Australia in 2003 and Wilkos last minute magic. The difference this time is that this is but a quarter final and the obsession has meant O'Neill has possibly lost sight of a bigger picture, winning the World Cup itself. He may well have had the last laugh but it is all rather academic as this one-eyed scribe hoped for an English return to form and victory by six points!

• ***Richard Parsons, Business Publisher at KOS Media spent over 25 years working for ANZ, the Australian Investment Bank which included several years in Melbourne.***

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Parking mad

Why is it in places such as Ramsgate, Margate, Broadstairs, Canterbury and others in Kent, parking is free in car parks as long as you like or for blue badge holders, but when it comes to car parks controlled by Dover council you are only allowed three hours, such as Deal, and yet in the side streets parking is free as long as you like? Seems a bit stupid to me.

G Coring
Birchington

War stories

I read with interest two articles in Kent on Sunday recently. I remember visiting family in Ramsgate during the war. I was seven when the war started, and because of the shelling, at one time stayed under the cliffs where the railway ran to Dumpton Park greyhound track. You could hear the thud of the shells when they hit, but nothing else. We did see a house that had been hit. I was pleased to get back home to London and the air-raids.

Another time my father and I were walking along the cliffs towards the harbour when we saw a group of people looking out to sea, some had binoculars. We were told a pilot had come down in the sea and a boat had picked him up and was on its way back to the harbour. A few minutes later we saw four naval personnel carrying a stretcher from along the harbour to the old marina. On the stretcher lay a British airman still with his yellow Mae West on, his blood covered trouser leg in tatters, revealing a shattered leg.

Mr R Simmons
Bromley

What about the Great British pensioner?

When speaking at the Labour Party conference, Gordon Brown repeatedly used the word Britain or British and said 'I will always stand up for you', but forgot to add 'unless you are a pensioner'.

The state pension in the UK is approximately 18 per cent of average wages, but many countries in the EU get over 50 per cent. Some even get 75 per cent of average wages.

In 2001 our representatives signed up to and ratified a proposal that EU members should reach a state pension of at least 40 per cent of average wages.

The Government is quick enough to bring EU directives into our legal system, such as the Human Rights Law, which means that suspected terrorists murderers and other criminals cannot be deported as it will affect their human rights.

In 2012 the state pension may be increased, by which time the majority of those who fought and suffered to keep this country free will be dead. Come on Gordon. We are the fourth richest economy in the world but cannot look after the heroes who helped to keep it Great.

David Morby
Erith

Don't isolate us

I see that Mr Arnold has not escaped from his fantasy world of EU greed by British cash. He wants us out of Europe completely. I am surprised that such an ardent 'patriot' should wish to isolate this great nation and make it a backward looking mockery of its true worth. I do not fear that his wish to see Britain as an irritant pimple on Europe's backside will ever be fulfilled.

Freddie Edmer
Herne Bay

Taxing questions

With reference to Mr Thorpe's letter dated September 30, 2007. This would be all well and good if we had a capable government. The people of this country have been bled dry with taxes. When will we get a government who will help the population and keep taxes down? It does not take a genius to see what is going on!

We have people governing the country who haven't a clue, they've never had a proper job and got into government through unions and left-wing councils – for example John Prescott, as well as Tony Blair who was shoved into an easy seat in Sedgefield, where the common statement is 'If you put a Labour badge on a donkey, people will vote for it!'

They impose needless taxes such as stamp duty and HIPs. Where is it going to stop? I am sure our cabinet enjoys racking their brains to find extra taxes to gain favour with Mr Brown. They have robbed the pension schemes of billions of pounds, so firms cannot pay for final salary pensions anymore.

The old age pensions are a disgrace. The government has stated that the minimum survivable wage is £200 per week, meaning that on a 40-hour working week, over £5 per hour is the very least acceptable income. Old age pensioners are given £86 per week, this works out £2.15 per hour! For God's sake, these people have paid for their pensions throughout their working lives!

This selfish government has generously donated to their personal pensions and perks. My message to the people of Britain is to get rid of this corrupt, inadequate government. They are not going to change for the better. Just look at their past record; illegal wars, gambling, 24 hour drinking and peerages for sale. Need I say more? The country is in a mess.

G Williams
Westerham

Glory bus stop

How interesting to read in the glossy leaflet produced by the prospective Conservative candidate for South Thanet that she took a bus ride, got 60 signatures and saved the No 56 bus service.

That must mean that the nine months of well-documented correspondence, meetings, emails and phone calls with the Transport Investigation Unit at KCC that I was heavily involved in along with my district colleagues Cllrs Aldred and Clark was somehow insignificant.

It also totally ignores the petition of over five hundred signatures from our own residents that I delivered personally to KCC.

Laura Sandys' blatant opportunism may have worked with the Conservative party to get her selected as their candidate but it was the persistence of hundreds of genuine local people that saved the No 56 bus service!

Cllr Clive Hart,
KCC Margate & Cliftonville

Tory tide turns

I cannot believe that Gordon Brown has the audacity to sit smugly this past couple of weeks, pretending that he is more interested in running the country than he really is in winning an election.

Yes, he does need a mandate from the electorate and he ought to be brave enough to go ahead and call a General Election.

But it is becoming obvious that he is merely guided by opinion polls and after this week's able-but-hardly-sparkling performance by David Cameron, the polls swung a little in favour of the Conservatives.

Brown now looks set to "leave it for the time being".

As a former supporter of Labour who was genuinely delighted to see the end of almost two decades of Tory rule when Blair arrived in number 10, I never thought the day would come when I would wish for their return.

Politics has changed, people are less interested than ever they were and those lazy lot in Cabinet are able to bumble along without so much as a nod in the direction of the ordinary man or woman in the street.

It's far easier for them to pass the odd law and restrict the normal lives of people still further in the name of "anti terrorism" or "improve your health", yet the real issues that genuinely affect our lives get ignored.

Education is littered with Labour promises from PFI schools to

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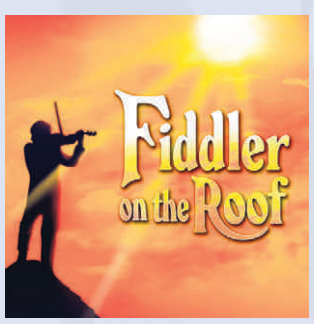

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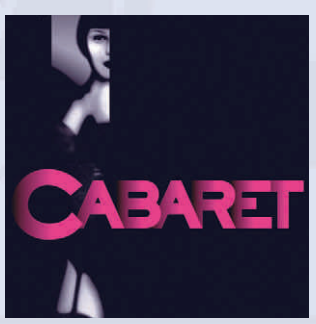

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ADAMS
Baby Maison born 21st September 2007 at 2:08pm. Weighing 8lbs 11.5ozs. Proud parents Kayleigh Brown and Luke Adams.

ANDREWS
Ben and Sara are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Lily Ella, born on 21st September 2007 at Dover Birthing Centre, weighing 7lbs 10oz.

BATSON
Katherine and Sean Batson of Ashford celebrate the birth of their daughter Angelica Mary Batson on 25th September 2007, weighing 7lb 12oz.

BEASLEY
Mat and Jo of Whitstable are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful baby daughter, Ella Nicole Violet Beasley, on 21st September 2007. A new sister for Charlie.

CAMPION
Claire and Lee celebrate the birth of their daughter Grace Louise Campion on 20th September 2007. Our most beautiful and precious daughter.

CHAPMAN
Mia Elle born on 20th September 2007. Daughter of Jason and Kayleigh Chapman.

CHAPMAN
Blu of Canterbury and Mark are delighted to announce the arrival of their son, Teiro Freddie Chapman, on 16th September 2007 weighing 6lb 12oz.

CHESTNUTT
Lee and Abigail of Herne Bay are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful baby daughter, Keira Lily, on 30th September 2007 weighing 7lb 10oz.

CROME
Amber of Herne Bay is pleased to announce the arrival of her beautiful baby son Jaydon-John (J-J) born at QEQM on 24th September 2007 weighing 7lb 3oz. First grandchild to John and Colleen and first nephew to Aunty Shannon.

DENNIS
Oliver Paul Dennis born on 7th September 2007 at 11.03am, weighing 5lb 9oz. Son to Emma and Paul.

DODD
Stuart and Joanna of Chartham are pleased to announce the birth of their second son, Maximillian Felix, on 20th September 2007. A brother for Toby.

ESMAEILI
Heather and Rostam celebrate the birth of their daughter Lilly Isabella Esmaeili on 11th September 2007.Mummy and Daddys special little angel.

FISHER
Laura and Jason would like to proudly announce the birth of their son Alfie-Jay Bobby Fisher. Born 22nd September 2007, weighing 8lbs 10ozs at 16:27.

GRAHAM
Neve Ripley Graham and Finlay Robert Graham born on 24th August 2007 weighing 5lb 14oz and 5lb 9oz son and daughter to Wayne and Sarah-Jane.

HALD
Delphine Anna Janssen Hald born on 16th September 2007. Daughter to Lea Hald and Dirk Janssen in Canterbury. We are ever so happy with her.

HARMAN
Des and Helen of Selling are very proud to announce the birth of their son, Wyatt Richard, on 8th September 2007.

HOLDSWORTH-AYRES
Mark and Rachael Celebrate the Birth of their Son Owain Andrew David on the 15th September 2007. Little brother for Bethany.

HORTON
Sinead Marie Horton. Born 21st September 2007. Weight 7lbs 8ozs. Congratulations to Carl and Ann-Marie.

HOWARD
Saskia_Jane. Born on 24th September 2007 in Ashford. Daughter to Heather-Jane and David Howard. Sister to Naomi, Isabelle, Daniel and Ophelia-Frances.

JONES
Chloe Rose Jones born 19th September 2007 weighing 6lb 14oz daughter to Matthew and Clare.

KENDALL
Macy May born on 15th September 2007, weighing 6lbs 9oz. Daughter to Ronnie and Sherry Kendall and baby sister to Tia in Maidstone.

KING
Aurelia Pamela Anne born on the 21st September 2007, weighing 7lb 10oz. Daughter to Phil and Claire, sister to Meredith of Maidstone.

LAKIN
Proud parents Kerry and Michael Lakin are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Abi-Grace Lakin born on 22nd September 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 6lb 13oz.

LEE
Patrick and Jessica of Canterbury are very pleased and proud to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Ruby Louise, on 10th September 2007.

LEFORESTIER
Frederic and Lydie of Canterbury are proud to announce the birth of their second son, Marlon, who came to light their world on 18th September 2007. Bonne chance dans ta vie! A new baby brother for Jolan and a new grandson for Angela, Jean, Danielle and Jacques.

MACDONALD
Emma and Paddy of Canterbury are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Aiden William, on 16th September 2007 weighing 6lb 12oz.

MALLETT-LESLIE
Maisie Ruby born on the 23rd September 2007. A beautiful baby girl for Rebecca and Lee.

MAYS
Gary and Kizzie of Herne Bay are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Jude Michael Mays, born on 14th September 2007 weighing 9lb 10oz.

MILLER
Ella Michelle born on 17th September 2007,weighing 7lbs.10oz. Daughter to Anna and Andy. Sister to Daniel.

MORRIS
Stephanie and Oliver are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Ruby Grace born on 27th September 2007.

ODYSSEAS
Kostas, Sarah and Amberley celebrate the birth of Jude Kalin, born on 26th September 2007, at home in Newchurch.

PEARSON
Neil and Romaine are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Ciara Polly a sister for Shona Lily. Ciara was born on 16th September 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital and weighed 7lb 13oz.

PETTMAN
Dexter Spencer Pettman born 19th September 2007 weighing 8lb 8oz son to Spencer and Sarah brother to Tom, Sam and Millie.

POOLE
Joshua Edward born to proud parents Jon and Sarah of Herne Bay on 25th September 2007 at QEQM.

POWELL
Lily-Ann Dorothy Trudy Powell born on 12th September 2007, weighing 9lb. Daughter to Damien Powell and Lisa-Marie Harman, sister to Nathan in Maidstone. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

REEVES
Mia Ilona born on 20th September 2007,weighing 7lbs.11oz. Daughter to Kara and James Reeves in Sandwich.

ROACH
Jolene Hunsdon and Gavin Roach of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their son Ronnie Roach on the 10th September 2007, weighing 8lb 1oz.

ROBERTS
Katie and Linden of Canterbury are delighted to announce the arrival of Mercedes Louise Jordan Roberts on 27th September 2007 weighing 6lb 15oz. Big Sister Nikita says Hello xxx.

SHEPHERD
Chloe Dawn born on 20th September 2007 to proud parents Steven and Hannah of Herne Bay.

SMITH
Brett and Heather are pleased to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Emilia Hope on 15th September 2007 in Maidstone. A sister for Berkeley.

STROUD
Mark and Emma are pleased to announce the arrival of their beautiful Daughter Sophia Rose on the 20th September 2007.

SUTTON
Matthew and Cathryn of Canterbury are pleased to announce the birth of their second son, George Laurence, on 15th September 2007. A brother for Patrick.

TAYLOR
Matt and Amy Taylor celebrate the birth of their daughter Phoebe Louise Taylor on 11th September.

WALTERS
Mac Dexter born on 22nd August 2007, weighing 9lb 12oz. Son to Julie and Larry. Brother to Archie.

WEBB
Steve and Stephanie of Folkestone are pleased to announce the birth of their son Cade Wolfgang Alexander on 12th September 2007, weighing 9lbs 10oz. A Brother for Cathán and Laine.

WRAIGHT
Edward James born on 20th September 2007, weighing 7lb 13oz. Son to Jonathan and Amanda Wraight in Lenham.

DEATHS

ASHBY
Kathleen Violet Ashby of Whitstable died peacefully on September 25th 2007. Funeral serice at Barham Crematorium on 15th October at 2pm.

AUSTIN
Frederick Austin of East Malling a loving father passed away on 28th September 2007, greatly missed.

BALDWIN
Nathan Reginald Baldwin of Dover passed away peacefully, after a long illness, on 25th September 2007. Now with Barbara. Loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. A gentleman. Now at peace.

BAXTER
Sidney Baxter of Maidstone, formerly of Dartford passed away peacefully on 25th September 2007 aged 93. Enquiries to Sears Funerals, Barming.

BOWDLER
Marjorie Bowdler aged 91, formerly of Loose passed away peacefully on Sunday 23rd September in Maidstone Hospital following a fall. The funeral Service is at 11am Monday 8th October 2007 at Maidstone Crematorium Vinters Park.

BUNCLARK
William John Bunclark of Maidstone passed away peacefully on the 25th September 2007, aged 74.

BURCH
Nancy Henrietta Mary Burch of Sandwich suddenly but peacefully passed away on 26th September 2007. Loving mum of Valerie. She will be very sadly missed by all who knew her. The funeral is to be held at Barham Crematorium on Wednesday 10th October at 12 noon.

COLLLINS
Eileen Collins of Canterbury passed away peacefully on 20th september 2007. A much loved mum and grandma, she will be very sadly missed.

CULVER
Bertram Clarence CUlver of Faversham passed away peacefully on 23rd September 2007. Loving husband of Doris and father to Michael and Christine.

DADSWELL
Daphne Dadswell of Maidstone passed away at The Heart of Kent Hospice on the 30th September 2007, aged 53. Funeral service at Vinters Park Crematorium on the 19th October 2007 at 2pm. No flowers, please make donations to Macmillan Nurses or The Heart of Kent Hospice.

DODSWORTH
Brian David Dodsworth of Vinters Park passed away peacefully on 1st October 2007 aged 55 yrs.

DOWLE
Daphne Ellen Dowle of Penenden Heath, formerly of Harrietsham, passed away peacefully on 21st September 2007, aged 80.

EDWARDS
Joyce Edwards passed away suddenly on Monday 24th September 2007. Funeral to be notified.

FOORD
William David Foord of New Romney, passed away peacefully at the William Harvey Hospital on 30th September 2007. A loved one is not gone until they are forgotten! And to live in the hearts of those left behind is to live forever!

HANKS
Violet Agnes of Herne Bay sadly passed away on 30th September 2007 aged 92 years greatly loved and will be missed by all her family God Bless X.

HARMSWORTH
Florence Doreen May, passed away peacefully on the 2nd October 2007. Sadly missed by her family. Enquiries to Firmager Funeral Service Limited, New Romney, Kent 01797-369277.

JANES
Derek (Bowie) of Herne Bay formerly of Sturry died peacefully in The Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury on September 29th 2007 aged 64 years. Dearly loved husband and father. Funeral to take place on Friday 12th October at Barham Crematorium at 1.20 pm. Floral tributes to Welch and Sons of Herne Bay or donations to The Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury.

JOHNSON
Vie, widow of Reg (Johnny) Johnson formerly of The Castle Restaurant, Canterbury died peacefully in her sleep on 23rd September 2007 aged 84 years. The funeral service has taken place at Thanet Crematorium on 5th October 2007. She will be sadly missed.

JOHNSON
Dennis Alan Johnson of Whitstable passed away suddenly, after a short illness, at The Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury on 26th September 2007. A dearly loved son, father and grandfather who will be very sadly missed.

KIRK
Stanley John Henry Kirk of Birchington passed away peacefully on 24th September 2007. Funeral to be held at Margate Crematorium on 9th October at 12.40pm. No flowers but donations to East Kent Pilgrims Hospices please.

PARR
Dennis Parr aged 63, passed away 19th September 2007. Cremation Service took place on Friday 28th September followed by a family service in his home town in Warrington Cheshire. His family were overwhelmed by the support and hospitality of all his friends during this sad time.

RADFORD
Eileen Ruth of Herne Bay died peacefully on 30th September 2007 shortly after celebrating their Diamond Wedding with husband Arthur Funeral service at Herne Bay Cemetery Tuesday 9th October 2007 11am Enquiries to Welch and Sons Herne Bay.

REED
Geoff fell asleep peacefully at home after a brief illness.Will be sadly missed by his wife and all of his loved ones.19/09/1941 - 23/09/2007.Donations can be made in his honour to the Geoff Reed Dialysis Fund at Horlocks at Northfleet.

SHILLING
Florence Ellen Shilling of Chilham passed away peacefully on 26th September 2007 at The Pilgrims Hospice, Canterbury. The funeral took place at Chartham cemetery on Friday 5th October.

WELLER
Gertrude Barbel Weller of Canterbury passed away suddenly on 26th September 2007. A loving partner, mother and daughter in law.With our love from Mark , Wesley, Megan and Hazel.

WHARTON
William Robert George Wharton of Aylesford died peacefully on 30th September 2007. Funeral Service at Vinters Park Crematorium at 1.15pm on 12th October 2007. Enquiries to Doves Funeral Directors of Larkfield 01732 871188.

WOOD
Susan Avril Wood of Canterbury passed away suddenly on 1st October 2007. A loving daughter, mother, grandmother and great friend. She will be very sadly missed by all who knew her. No flowers please.

WOOD
Peter Wood of Chatham died peacefully on 28th September 2007. Funeral service at Medway Crematorium at 12 noon on Monday 8th October.

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academies and yet general teaching standards continues to fall – whatever the soaring GCSE rates seem to indicate.

Police can have all the cash they want to go shooting an innocent man mistaken for a terrorist, but try squeezing more money from central government to put more cops on the street, and they hold back.

And all the time the taxes are gently piled on, interest rates continue to creep up and the every-day cost of living rises for the ordinary working man.

By ordinary working man I of course mean the one's in PAYE employment, whose taxes go to subsidise the lives of the work-shy – yes they are still out there – those who claim disability and of course the poor saps given huge lumps of family credit cash who can't earn a decent living because their schooling was so poor.

So Cameron, Brown, and the other lot, forget the opinion polls. Be honest, tell the ordinary working man something he (or she) wants to hear. Lower taxes, less money for lazy scroungers and a genuine freedom to live as you want to live so long as you don't hurt others. Simple stuff Mr B, and Mr C, it was exactly what Mrs T offered, successfully for a while too.

Andrew Riley, Dartford

McCanns' media glare

An untold amount of page space, air time and network coverage has been devoted to Team McCann since that fateful day in May.

Whilst the disappearance of five-year-old Madeleine is tragic and heartbreaking, I can't help but think of all the other terrible things that happen to children around the world every day, which are not given anywhere near the attention they deserve.

The interest in the case is understandable because millions of parents can sympathise with the unbearable pain the McCanns must be going through.

But it is such a taboo to say that it is somehow unfair to put so much worth on the trauma and suffering of only one family when there is so much other suffering in the world that is equally deserving of attention and worldwide sympathy.

If the McCanns were not so middle-class and media savvy would so much of the nation's, and arguably the world's, attention be focused on the case for quite so long?

I really and truly hope Madeleine is either found, or if the worst has happened, whoever did it is brought to justice, but there are issues and injustices that happen daily that deserve just as much to share some of the limelight and be brought to people's attention.

What about the missing children who don't have a multi-million pound trust set up to help with their searches?

Charlotte Smith, Maidstone

Turning in his grave

I found it absolutely incredible to find out that the grave of the founder of Tottenham Hotspur had remained unmarked for an entire century.

It is remarkable to think, with the multi-million pound media-saturated industry that has grown up around top-flight football, that it is so easy to forget its roots.

It also goes to show how far detached the modern game has become from its humble origins.

Tottenham Hotspur, this team founded by a vicar as a means of keeping the young boys in his care off the streets, has become a monster. While fans are hurling abuse at each other from the terraces and players are diving and swearing (and in Jermaine Defoe's case, occasionally biting), the ruthless executives in the boardroom are weighing up whether or not to sack the club's most successful modern manager after six games of the new season.

All the while, I imagine Mr Ripsher was turning in his unmarked grave.

This man founded the club with the best and most compassionate of intentions. They should put up a statue of him outside White Hart Lane as a reminder to every fan, player and executive that enters it exactly why this club exists.

Adrian Talmage, Dover

Passing the buck

I would like to raise the following points about who takes responsibility for their actions and what happens to them in their life. Because of the 'modern' idea that someone can place responsibility on someone else for their actions (or those of others) when it becomes too awkward or requiring action to be taken personally and it is easier to just 'pass the buck', society will find itself with no one person willing or able to consider what effect this will have on others or even care what their often thoughtless attitude means to others.

When you park on double yellow lines, do you care what hazards and increase in danger to others that you may be causing? When parking on the pavement and decreasing the width of the walking area, (to presuming assist traffic flow), what happens to the mums and dads with prams and walking children and the elderly who may not be too good on their feet who have to step out into the road?

When I telephoned the police about illegal parking they stated that it was 'Dover District Council's responsibility' to patrol and monitor the illegal parking not theirs, unless 'it was causing a hazard or danger to other road users'. When I suggested that it was doing both these things, the officer said that he would 'log it', gave me a reference number for my call and would pass the information on. It seems as if it will always be someone else who has to be responsible but not the people whose actions have caused the problem or the persons who, if they were doing the job that they should be doing – ie preventing dangerous driving incidents or hazardous parking, which causes danger. They will always want to deny any responsibility by passing it on or not bothering to accept that what they are is wrong and causing danger to others.

Mr Bartlett, Canterbury

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Speaking and learning about crime and justice

A NEW justice seminar has been launched by the University of Kent at Medway.

The free series is being run by the University's Kent crime and justice centre and are designed to be relevant to academics, students and members of the public.

Superintendent Jan Stephens, Medway's area commander, has done the first.

Dr Simon Shaw, lecturer in criminal justice studies at the University of Kent, said: "Criminal justice is a fascinating field – it intrigues people and everyone has an opinion about it.

"A lot of people probably base much of their understanding on reading media reports, however, so I hope that the seminars will give people a deeper appreciation of how the system really works.

"Our speakers will be people who actually work in the field and will explain some of the challenges they face."

Seminars later in the year will feature talks by Dr Kate O'Brien, lecturer in criminology at the University of Kent, on crime and the night-time economy, plus another by Russell Race on memoirs of a magistrate.

SEMINAR: Dr Simon Shaw, lecturer in criminal justice studies at the University of Kent

Adult learners receive awards

A GROUP of adult learners aged between 18 and 75 have picked up major awards for their classroom achievements.

They were presented with Kent Adult Learning Awards from Kent County Council's Adult Education Service at a special ceremony.

The 2007 winners were nominated by their tutors. There were six categories: Career Development, Skills for Life and Work, Families Achieving Together, Teacher of the Year, Most Inspirational Learner and Developed Creativity.

Cllr Mike Hill, KCC's cabinet member for community services, said: "Adult education improves the skills and confidence of students, and, for those who make substantial achievements, these awards are a great way to celebrate their success. The students receiving prizes highlight the scope of opportunities available in Kent. Congratulations to all the winners and to all those who have succeeded in their chosen field."

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Women can get business help at event

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
editorial@kosmedia.co.uk

A GROWING army of women is eager to set up their own business, but are being held back because they are not sure about a whole host of possible barriers.

Now an event is set to open the floodgates of new small businesses run by women.

The free one-day event is being staged by Business Link, which wants to stop women thinking there is too much to overcome, and it is aptly called What's Stopping You?

It is not only for women considering working for themselves, but also those who want to find out more about what's involved.

The informal setting allows attendees to talk to other women who have set up on their own.

Informative

Janice Sandwell, from Business Link, said: "You don't need any business experience at all to come along to this event. Whether you want to turn a hobby into a business and fit it around other commitments or to become a high flyer, you will find the What's Stopping You? event informative and inspiring.

"No matter what your circumstances, we can offer you advice and guidance on working for yourself with absolutely no obligation to go any further. Come along and meet women who have already changed their lives by working for themselves. You can talk to them about their experiences and how they dealt with any barriers they came across."

The Seeda-supported seminars focus on four areas.

- How did she do it? – the highs and lows of starting your own business including a chance to ask questions
- Get the figure you want – how to get enough money to start your business and whether being self-employed could affect your tax credits
- Look good, feel good – no diet involved! – how to create the right image for you, your business and your confidence
- Be an IT girl – how to make technology work for you and how to use the internet to start and build a business.

An exhibition is being held too where attendees can talk to women from the area who already work for themselves and can offer first-hand advice on how to get off the ground.

A DVD which includes business tips is being screened, and a business expert will also be on hand to answer questions and can offer short individual sessions.

BUSINESS LINK: Janice Sandwell

Ms Sandwell added: "We would urge anyone who thinks that working for themselves might be for them to come along. The information available and the experiences of others will allow you to make an informed decision that may change your life. The friendly and informal atmosphere will ensure that not only is it an informative day, but it should also be a lot of fun!"

There are limited places, so early booking is vital for the event which runs from 10am to 3.30pm on November 5 at the Holiday Inn, Rochester. Free lunch and refreshments are also available.

For more information telephone 01732 878007 or www.whatsstoppingyouevents.co.uk. Another What's Stopping You? event will take place again early next year.

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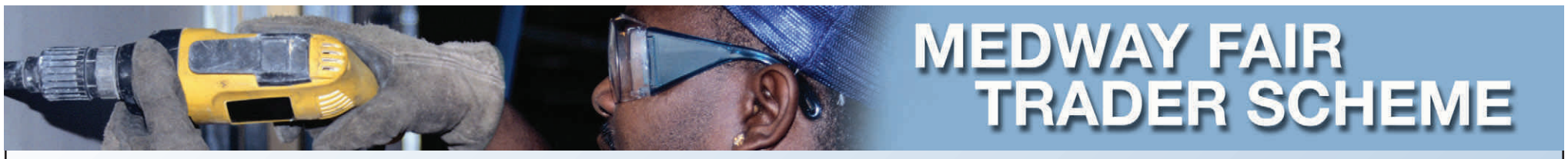

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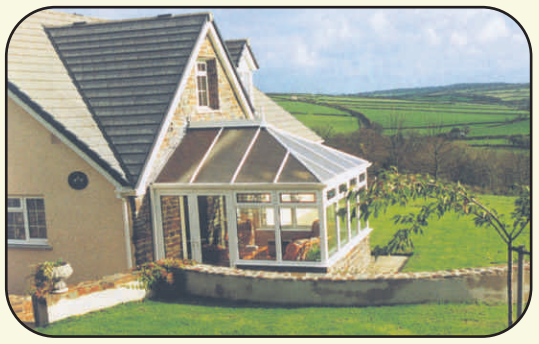

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By CHARLOTTE WILSON

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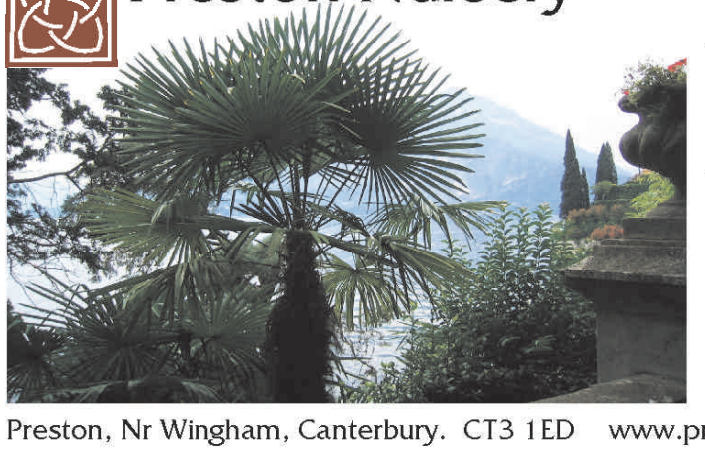

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Look in the loft and insulate your pockets

By CHARLOTTE WILSON

IF your loft is crammed full of piles of junk and clutter then you live in one of millions of homes with money-making potential… that is also leaking cash and carbon dioxide.

According to eBay, there is a potential £17.7 billion cash in homes across Britain with an average of between £100 and £500 in a three-bedroom semi-detached property.

Nick Rickard, Insulation expert at B&Q, said: "One quarter of the UK's carbon footprint is generated by our homes. If every house in the UK had the recommended level of insulation, we could save four million tonnes of CO2 a year. This would fill the new Wembley Stadium 500 times over.

"There are many different ways to insulate a home, but one of the simplest solutions is to install loft insulation. If you insulate your loft to the recommended depth of 270mm, you can save between £180-£220 a year off your heating bill, and one and a half tonnes of carbon emissions,

Many people are putting off insulating their homes as they feel it's too much hassle. With a bit of time and energy, you can not only make money from the junk in your loft – enough to pay for the insulation – but you can also do your bit for the environment.

To make money out of the items that you're hording in your loft for no good reason there are a number of ways you can do this, from selling them on ebay to flogging them at a car boot sale. You can search online for car boot sales in your local area at www.carbootjunctioon.com and www.carbootcalendar.com.

Money and antique expert, Lorne Spicer, said: "The loft is a source of cash for most people even though they don't realise it. There are some general rules of thumb that can help you cash-in on clearing your attic:

1. Any item that typifies an era will have a value to retro enthusiasts or collectors. Think 1970s bright orange and clashing brown flowery wallpaper, novelty shaped TV sets and flared jeans.

2. Any film or TV-related merchandise will be worth money, even more if it's signed. Anyone who finds the 1970s Corgi Magic Roundabout toys which cost £7 new is sitting on £1,000 in today's market.

3. Household gadgets that are redundant thanks to new technology are starting to become collectable. 1950s Kenwood Chef mixers, original Seiko digital watches, Sinclar calculators, Sega games through to the 1980s mobile phones all have value.

4. Textiles from clothing to curtains are always worth a second look. A pair of William Morris curtains sold in Edinburgh for £2,500.

5. Key signs to collectability are any identifiable markings that can help give information about where an item comes from, and who made and designed it. Most ceramic items have a backstamp on the base of the piece giving a manufacturers name eg Royal Doulton, Wedgwood, and the title of the piece."

With as much as a third of heating escaping through the roof, the minimum level of insulation recommended for loft floors is 270mm, but it is common to find as little as 25mm, particularly in older houses.

Leaflets are available in B&Q stores and on the website, giving tips on how to best insulate, and B&Q offers a home delivery service on its installation products to make things even easier for consumers. The B&Q website also features an online calculator enabling customers to work out the exact amount of insulation they require.

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Ivy isn't so creepy

By **JANE JEWITT**

POISON-IVY. Is that in the back of your mind every time you see ivy creeping or climbing its way along?

The true Poison-ivy is native to the USA and Canada; so you would be very unlikely to come across it here in the UK.

Even our own common ivy, Hedera helix has a bad name. Some people think it is a parasite and that it can kill trees; this is not true. However, if a tree is in poor health and ivy is allowed to grow unchecked it's mature weight can help to bring a tree down.

Ivy has two distinct growth forms, the young fast growing stems with their characteristic leaves will cling to any surface and shoot up the walls and into your loft space if unchecked. A little juvenile ivy on a tree trunk will not do any damage and it provides a habitat for small insects. When ivy matures it makes a tight cluster of glossy leaves and a flower head of cream pompoms.

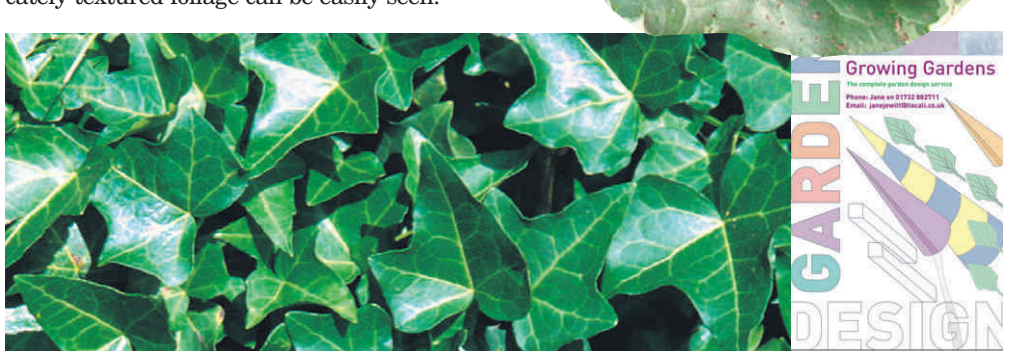
Pruning

To remove heavy growths of ivy use a pruning saw and cut through the stem at ground level, be very careful not to damage the tree trunk.

The stems are hard to pull out of the ground once they are more than pencil thickness. Treat the cut stems with a root or stump killer, it contains ammonium sulphamate, which is biodegradable, breaking down to a nitrogenous fertiliser. Ensure the chemical only touches the cut stems. You may want to protect any precious plants nearby with plastic sheeting.

If you have a dead tree stump or an ugly wall, allow ivy to run unimpeded. When it thickens up it will become a haven for all sorts of creatures. Field mice and birds make their nests in the thick protective foliage. The flowers bloom at a time when there is little else to provide nectar for insects and when the black berries mature birds will have a feast.

The ivy family contains many and varied forms, not all of them are hardy enough for the garden. I love Hedera colchica 'Dentata Variegata' whose large variegated evergreen leaves looks splendid all year round in the garden. In contrast, Hedera helix 'Cristata' is best grown on a sheltered wall where with its intricately textured foliage can be easily seen.



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Tech isn't green

THESE days increasing numbers of people are trying to make their homes more environmentally friendly, but their efforts are being damaged by the amount of high-tech gadgets they own. Laptops, plasma TVs and computers are becoming increasingly popular but will be gobbling up 45 per cent of domestic electricity within three years. Experts say the equivalent of 14 power stations will be needed to run these devices.

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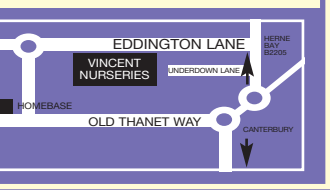

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COLOUR: Daffodils (Narcissi February Gold) from Unwins Book of Bulbs (Westland £9.99); and above right, a variety of dahlias

Bulbs for spring

By HANNAH STEPHENSEN

THE summer's over, the kids are back at school and it's time to plant some bulbs to look forward to in spring.

Whether it's drifts of daffodils, heady hyacinths or tantalising tulips, you can pep up your patio or give your borders a boost with these easy-to-grow bulbs. Think carefully about the effect you want to create and how you are going to achieve it before buying and planting, though. Flowerbulbs with different flowers and foliage can create very different looks.

"You can accentuate the colour of a gold-variegated evergreen by adding yellow daffodils or tulips," says award-winning garden designer Andrew McIndoe, author of Unwins Book Of Bulbs (Westland, £9.99).

"Try contrasting deep plum tulips against a yellow-foliage shrub, or blend them with one that has wine-red leaves. Pink tulips are wonderful with silver-blue foliage, as are purple and blue crocus."

Good contrasts include Tulipa 'Black Parrot' against Philadelphus coronarius 'Aureus', while the purple balls of Allium 'Globemaster' sit well with the feathery foliage of fennel.

Drifts of bulbs are often more effective, as few look good planted individually unless they are big, such as large alliums, lilies and crown imperials.

Effect

McIndoe advises: "In large beds and borders, repeat groups of the same variety through the planting. This amplifies the effect and gives continuity."

Unless you have a really formal planting scheme, avoid planting bulbs in straight lines, which looks contrived. Personally, I prefer flurries of bulbs of the same colour, whether in a border or in pots. I love small terracotta pots filled with blue muscari (grape hyacinths), carpets of snowdrops filling in the light shade under trees, and drifts of bluebells in woodlands in dappled shade.

McIndoe says that blue can prove a useful link between other colours in the border and that adding blue can make other colours work together. In rockeries and small borders, dwarf varieties are ideal, such as Narcissus 'February Gold' and 'Hawera', but avoid mixed daffodils as they flower at different times and the colour mix isn't always complementary.

Tall Darwin and lily-flowering tulips are perfect for planting with herbaceous perennials, as their blooms rise above the emerging foliage. Many bulbs thrive in shade or semi shade, in woodlands under trees, where many other plants would fail, so make the most of them.

Remember, too, that bulbs such as tulips and daffodils (Narcissi) planted directly in a border can become a nuisance after flowering, as their faded foliage is unsightly and you might forget where you planted them when cultivating the ground in the dormant season.

If you're worried about this you may be better off planting them in terracotta or dark ceramic pots and placing them unobtrusively in your border during the flowering season.

That way, they can be removed immediately afterwards and the bulbs put somewhere dark and dry until the autumn, when they can be replanted. You can then fill your pots with annuals for some summer colour.

Spring bulbs can be planted straight into outdoor containers and left on the patio until spring, although I tend to put them somewhere where they won't suffer too much damp over the winter and stick them on pot feet so the bulbs don't rot.

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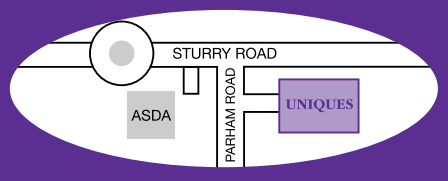

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The Council have recently appointed new contractors for the key public cleansing functions of recycling, refuse collection, street cleaning and public conveniences. In this year's General Survey public satisfaction with the cleanliness of public spaces has risen from 54% 3 years ago to 70% this year, and the Council's draft Corporate Plan has Creating a Cleaner and Greener Swale as a top objective.

The Council have also endorsed Objective 14 of the Kent Agreement for a Clean Kent. This is an area that we have strong ambitions for and if you believe you have the attitude, skills and experience we need, we'd like to hear from you.

You will be responsible for street scene standards in the borough and will need to work closely with our contractors and other key stakeholders. You will be based within the Cleansing Team of Environmental Services.

We are seeking individuals educated to GCSE standard with 5 A-C passes, a full driving licence, communications and IT skills, but above all a passion for improving Swale's street scene. Previous contract management/monitoring and local government experience is desirable but not necessary.

In addition to salary, we can offer you a generous annual leave allowance, paid bank holidays, Local Government final salary pension scheme and flexi-time working.

We welcome applications for flexible working arrangements and please indicate on the application form which post you are interested in.

For further information contact Human Resources, Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 3HT. Telephone Sittingbourne (01795) 417414 (24 hour voice mail) quoting reference 202ES1.

E-Mail: hr@swale.gov.uk Website: http://jobs.swale.gov.uk

Closing Date: 22 October 2007
Interviews: w/c 29 October 2007

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Required - a librarian to work 17 hours per week (11.45am to 3.15pm Monday to Thursday and 11.45am to 2.45pm Friday). We have a multi-media room with books and computers used together to support children's learning.

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Oakwood House, Maidstone

Working for the Early Years and Childcare Unit, you will assist the Marketing Officer in the development and achievement of the marketing strategy for early years and childcare throughout Kent.

You will assist in the production of a newsletter including managing design, proof reading, print and distribution; manage selected suppliers to ensure marketing programmes are delivered on time and to budget; assist in the design and production of advertising and promotional material; implement marketing campaigns, including design, production, mailing, monitoring and measuring and assist in the development of information for the website.

Working within this busy marketing environment, you will ideally hold the CIM Diploma in Marketing or similar with a proven track record of delivering effective marketing campaigns.

Experience of desktop publishing would be a distinct advantage though not essential. This is a varied and challenging role, which will require you to be a good team player and be able to work on your own initiative.

This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For this post only, for the job description and application form, please contact Emma Hull at Early Years and Childcare Unit, Oakwood House, Maidstone, Kent ME16 8AE, telephone 01622 761050 or by email emma.hull@kent.gov.uk

Please quote reference CFE/07/350.

Closing date: midday, 19 October 2007.

Contracts Supervisor (Projects)

Starting salary £22,268, with progression through contribution related pay to £25,521 per annum

Aylesford

The management of the 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres across Kent is a continuous job. The upgrading of these Centres is important to increase the range of recyclable materials as well as improve layout and ease of use for the people of Kent. It's our aim to increase the amounts of recycling in Kent, and we need good people to assist in making this happen.

You will oversee building and civil engineering projects, ranging from repairs and maintenance to full scale refurbishment schemes. In addition, the role would include the supervision of the private sector contractors who deliver waste services on behalf of the Council.

With experience in delivering a variety of works from concept to completion, you will have an awareness of the Waste Management industry and be willing to work occasional evenings and weekends.

In return for your commitment to our service, we offer a good team to work with, a competitive salary, plus numerous benefits. **Ref: ER/07/058**

Closing date: midday, 26 October 2007.

Contracts Supervisor

Starting salary £19,572, with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum

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Due to the retirement of one of our Contract Supervisors, we are now looking to recruit to this post. If you have good working experience in the waste industry and an interest in contract management, then this could be the job for you.

Across Kent there are 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres, which are operated by private sector contractors on behalf of KCC. In addition we have a variety of contracts providing a range of Waste Management services.

Monitoring and supervising these contracts, you will need to demonstrate that you have experience in operating waste facilities, managing Contractors and resolving performance management issues. You should have good customer care skills in order to deal with enquiries or complaints received from members of the public. To support these skills, you will need to have good administrative abilities, as well as, a good working knowledge of standard Microsoft IT packages. A qualification in Waste Management is essential. **Ref: ER/07/059**

Closing date: midday, 26 October 2007.

Education Welfare Officer

Starting salary £19,572, with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum

Urban Swale Cluster, East Kent - Based in Sittingbourne

Working with schools, families and pupils promoting regular school attendance, you will have the ability to work independently as well as being a good team member and will receive in service training, regular supervision, and team support.

The ability to travel is essential as visiting schools and homes are essential to the work. **Ref: CFE/07/356**

Essential car user allowance is payable.

This post is subject to a Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

Closing date: midday, 22 October 2007.

Helpline and Information Officer

Starting salary £17,842, with progression through contribution related pay to £19,572 per annum

Oxford Road, Maidstone

"Communication between all those involved in a child's education is the key to good relationships."

You will support carers and parents to access the various sources available, to enable the communication to start and make good relationships flourish.

Enthusiastic and resourceful, you will join a team operating a service that provides parents and carers with advice, support and information about children with additional or special educational needs.

As an effective communicator, with experience of working in a pressurised environment, you will have the ability to listen and analyse, whilst remaining impartial and non-judgmental at all times. Excellent research and writing skills, and knowledge of MS software is essential.

Providing advice, support and information on the phone, face to face and through leaflets, newsletters and bulletins, you must have superb communication and IT skills.

An understanding of the issues relating to children and the families of children with special and additional educational needs is also essential.

In return, you will receive support, excellent staff benefits and development opportunities. **Ref: CFE/07/346.**

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Senior Support Officer

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With an NVQ Level 3 or equivalent in business administration, you will hold an ECDL qualification and be proficient in minute taking. An excellent organiser with proven experience of budget support, you will need to demonstrate a flexible and adaptable approach to the day-to-day business, with the ability to maintain a high degree of confidentiality and discretion at all times.

Previous experience of working at a senior level is essential, along with well developed computer skills in Excel, Word, Powerpoint and other packages.

You must have excellent communication skills, both written and verbal and be a team player with the ability to communicate effectively at all levels.

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A full driver's licence is essential. All applicants must be registered, or in the process of registering with the GSCC.

Any offer of appointment will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure.

For an informal discussion, please contact Ann McMurray, Social Work Team Manager (Palliative Care) on 01634 830456. Closing date: 19 October, 2007.

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Required immediately to support pupils with Special Educational Needs. Applicants must have a genuine concern for young people and should be able to support pupils up to GCSE level.

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You will be required to carry out administrative duties have parental contact and line manage other Teaching Assistants.

Closing date for completed applications: 19th October 2007

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To supervise classes during the absence of subject teachers. Classroom Managers will give instructions for a lesson as provided by subject teacher and carry out administrative skills, be able to interact well with students and staff, be able to manage a variety of situations, be calm and work well under pressure.

Closing date for completed applications: 12th October 2007

For more information and an application form please contact:

Mrs Jackie Brinkhurst, Pent Valley Technology College
Surrenden Road, Folkestone, Kent CT19 4ED
Email: jackie.brinkhurst@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk
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You will also need as a minimum:

- Stable employment and attendance record
- Minimum of four GCSE's Grade C or above (or equivalent), including English, Maths and Science
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Sevenoaks Direct Services

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with exceptional performance (pay award pending)
plus a final salary contributory pension scheme

Starting at 7 a.m. you will take responsibility for a vehicle used in waste collection and assist in the efficient collection of domestic/trade waste throughout the district.

You must hold a current LGV driving licence and be capable and proficient at driving vehicles weighing 26 tonne. You must be physically capable of carrying out the duties of the post (e.g. manual handling and loading of refuse sacks and containers) and be prepared to work as part of a team. You must also be able to communicate well with other members of the team and with members of the public. Salary offered includes working up to eight additional Saturdays to cover for Bank Holidays.

Mobile Office/ Public Convenience Cleaner (Ref: CS.911)

£14,664 p.a. to £17,874 p.a. rising to £18,972 p.a.
with exceptional performance (pay award pending)
plus a final salary contributory pension scheme

'Your duties will involve the daily cleaning of offices and public conveniences to a specified standard. This will include WC's, basins & urinals, as well as walls, floors, ceilings etc and the removal of graffiti. You will also be expected to restock the facilities with toilet rolls, soap, paper towels etc and be required to record faults and problems and report these to a Supervisor.

You will have use of a Council van to carry out your duties, therefore you must be able to drive and hold a full, clean UK driving licence. You will be part of a team, but will work independently, and will therefore be reliable and responsible with a flexible approach and able to use initiative. You will be committed to customer care and delivering a quality service.

You will be expected to work on a rota basis which includes early and late shifts including Saturday and Sunday working, with split shifts to maintain daily cleaning standards. Basic working hours are 37 hours per week with overtime or fixed rate payments for hours worked in excess of this.

Although not essential, knowledge of Hygiene Best Practice and COSHH regulations would be desirable.

Public Convenience Chargehand (Ref: CS.710)

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with exceptional performance (pay award pending)
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You will be required to assist the Cleansing Manager and Street Cleansing Manager in the day to day management of the Mobile Office/Public Convenience Cleaners to ensure all relevant offices and conveniences are cleaned to the required frequencies and standards, 7 days a week. You will organise workloads and monitor performance and undertake cleaning as necessary to assist the cleaners in achieving their scheduled tasks.

You must be well motivated, reliable and responsible and committed to quality and customer care. Previous supervisory experience and experience in the use of cleaning materials is also essential.

Street Sweeper/ Driver (Ref: CS.824)

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You will be a part of the team maintaining the cleanliness of the streets within the Sevenoaks District Council area. You will need to be physically capable of carrying out the duties of the post, presentable in appearance and prepared to work as part of a team. You will be working a 37 hour week and you must hold a driving licence that allows you to drive a vehicle up to 7.5 tonnes.

For an informal discussion about these posts please contact John Cox, Cleansing Manager on 01959 567375

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Closing date for all posts: Monday 15th October 2007
Interviews will be held w/c 22nd October 2007

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Magpie Hall Road, Chatham, Kent ME4 5JB
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  Transition+ (Year 6/7 transfer project)
- Communications (English; French; Spanish)
- Science
- Maths

For further details and an Application Pack please contact Mrs P Walshe, at the above address or:
Telephone: 01634 845196/7 Fax: 01634 406475
E-mail: walsp001@medway.org.uk
Closing date: 10th October noon Interviews anticipated: w/b 15 th October
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PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Teacher

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Year 2 Class
Job Share and Temporary
Term of contract: Maternity cover
Required From: 3 December 2007
Closing date: 12 October 2007
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Mrs Susan Lythgoe, Headteacher
Luton Infant School
Alexandra Road, Chatham
Kent ME4 5AP
Telephone - (01634) 843019
Fax - 01634 843019
Email: headteacher@
luton-inf.medway.sch.uk

Lordswood Infant School
KS1
Salary: Main payscale
Full Time and Temporary
Required From: 29 October 2007
Closing Date: 11 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs A. Campbell, Headteacher,
Lordswood Infant School,
Lordswood Lane, Chatham,
Kent ME5 8NN
Telephone - (01634) 861525
Fax - 01634 687673
Email: office@
lordswoodinf.medway.sch.uk

Key Stage Leader

Walderslade Primary School
Key Stage 1 Leader
Salary: MPS/ UPS + TLR/Assist. Head
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 12 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs Angela Milne, Headteacher
Walderslade Primary School
Dargets Road, Walderslade
Chatham, Kent ME5 8BJ
Telephone - (01634) 861660
Email: headteacher@
walderslade-pri.medway.sch.uk

Subject Leader

Balfour Junior School
P.E. / Games Subject Leader
Salary: Main/Upper Scale + TLR 2C
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 11 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Paul Bell, Headteacher
Balfour Junior School
Balfour Road, Chatham
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Telephone - (01634) 843833
Fax - 01634 301070
Email: headteacher@
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Assistant Headteacher

Temple Mill Primary School
Foundation Stage
Salary: Leadership 5 to 9
Full time and permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 10 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sandra Ross
School Business Manager,
Temple Mill Primary School
Cliffe Road, Strood, Rochester
Kent ME2 3NL
Telephone - (01634) 338200
Fax - 01634 338201
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SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Teacher

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Mathematics (2 posts)
Salary: Main/ Upper payscale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road, Hoo, Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email: crutk001@medway.org.uk

New Brompton College
Maths
Salary: Main/Upper payscale +£3000 annually
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 Jan 2008
Closing date: 10 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager,
New Brompton College,
Marlborough Road, Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
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New Brompton College
Science
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Required From: 1 Jan 2008
Closing date: 10 October 2007
To apply/more information
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suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

Rainham School for Girls
Citizenship and History
Salary: Main Scale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mrs Jacqueline Dunn, Headteacher
Rainham School for Girls
Derwent Way, Rainham
Gillingham
Kent ME8 0BX
Telephone - (01634) 362746
Fax - 01634 388334
Email: admin@rsg.org.uk

The Thomas Aveling School
English
Salary: MPS
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Richard Hart, Headteacher
The Thomas Aveling School
Arethusa Road, Rochester
Kent ME1 2UW
Telephone - (01634) 844809
Fax - 01634 818385
Email: office@thomasaveling.co.uk

Advanced Skills Teacher

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
AST (Mathematics)
Salary: AST scale
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 8 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
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TLR1

St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Assistant Faculty leader Enterprise/ Leading Teacher
Salary: MPS + TLR 1C (8,405)
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr David Kelly, Headteacher
St John Fisher Catholic
Comprehensive School
Ordanance Street, Chatham
Kent ME4 6DP
Telephone - (01634) 842811
Fax - 01634 825915
Email: office@st-
johnfisher.medway.sch.uk

New Brompton College
SENCO
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR1a
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 9 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email: suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

New Brompton College
Business Studies Coordinator
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2C
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 9 October 2007
To apply/more information
Sue Moss, HR Manager
New Brompton College
Marlborough Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 5HT
Telephone - (01634) 583509
Fax - 01634 853574
Email:
suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk

TLR2

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Key Stage Leader - English
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2c (£2,364)
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road, Hoo, Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email: crutk001@medway.org.uk

The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Key Stage Leader - Maths
Salary: MPS/UPS + TLR2a (£5,778)
Full Time and Temporary
Term of contract: Maternity cover
Required From: 1 January 2008
Closing date: 15 October 2007
To apply/more information
Mr Anthony Williams, Headteacher
The Hundred of Hoo
Comprehensive School
Main Road, Hoo, Rochester
Kent ME3 9HH
Telephone - (01634) 251443
Fax - 01634 254323
Email: crutk001@medway.org.uk

LOCAL AUTHORITY VACANCIES

14 - 19 Consultant: Progression and Partnerships
Job Ref: CS0800S
Salary: £40,104 - £42,219 per annum
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: As soon as possible
Closing date: 8 October 2007
To apply/more information
Medway Council
Keith Morrison, Senior Adviser
Civic Centre, Rochester
Strood
Kent ME2 4AU
Telephone - (01634) 338547

Secondary Consultant Mathematics
Job Ref: CS0801S
Salary: £40,104 - £42,219 per annum
Full Time and Permanent
Required From: As soon as possible
Closing date: 8 October 2007
To apply/more information
Medway Council
Keith Morrison, Senior Adviser
Civic Centre, Rochester
Strood
Kent ME2 4AU
Telephone - (01634) 338547

Medway Experienced Teacher Pool
Salary: Paid to scale
Term of contract: temporary, fixed term and permanent (no daily supply)
To apply/more information
Elaine Hunt, Recruitment Assistant
Teacher Recruitment Team
Civic Centre
Strood
Rochester
Kent ME2 4AU
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Email: teaching@medway.gov.uk

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Organisational Improvement
Public Health and Community Well Being

Anti Social Behaviour Assistant

£18,450 per annum pro rata
Fixed term contract until March 2009

We are looking for a committed individual to join our Anti Social Behaviour Group. You will support the Anti Social Behaviour Co-ordinator in the investigation and solution of community safety incidents and complaints – these include playing a central role in case file management investigation, assisting partnership agencies to tackle the fear of anti social behaviour and engaging with communities to resolve incidents of anti social behaviour.

This is a high profile and challenging position and you will need to be an excellent communicator with good organisation skills and have the ability to work on your own initiative. You will need good people skills as you will work with local residents and will promote community involvement. Knowledge and relevant experience in the field of community safety, law enforcement work or related professional activity and working in/with the community is essential.

Appointment is subject to satisfactory completion of an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check. **Ref: ASBA/PJ**

Operational Services
Parking Services

Town Warden

Circa £14,500 - £18,000 per annum

Acting as the eyes and ears of the Gravesend Town Centre Team, you will provide the day to day link with a wide variety of business and users of the town centre activities to visitors.

You will participate in the practical management of the town centre, ensuring that the cleansing and maintenance is carried out by a dedicated task force and from time to time will undertake minor maintenance tasks. You will also participate in town centre safety and security matters and will be responsible for issuing fixed penalty notices under the Cleaner Neighbourhoods and Environments Act to local businesses and members of the public.

It is essential that you have some enforcement and/or customer service experience. The ability to work under pressure and to handle difficult and challenging situations in a calm professional manner is also a pre requisite.

This is a uniformed post and will involve evenings and weekend working.

Appointment is subject to satisfactory completion of an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check. **Ref: TW/PMC**

Parking Attendant

Circa £14,500 - £16,000 per annum pro rata
1 full-time post, 37 hours per week
1 part-time post, 22 hours per week

You will be responsible for enforcing traffic and parking regulations and issuing Penalty Charge Notices.
In addition, your duties will include observing and reporting vehicles without valid vehicle licences (tax), assisting the public with minor enquiries, reporting/checking signs and markings, providing witness statements and liaising with the police. Some administrative work is also involved.

You will have good communication skills and the ability to deal calmly and professionally with difficult situations. Previous experience in parking enforcement is desirable, although not essential as full training will be given.

This is a uniformed outdoor role which will include working in all weathers. You will be required to work over 7 days, on a rota basis including early starts and late finishes. **Ref: PA/PMCN**

Operational and Housing Services
Parking Services

Admin/Debt Management Officer

Circa £13,000 - £16,000 per annum

Working in a small team, you will provide administrative and financial support services. Duties will include opening the post, data input, filing, the production of standard letters and similar administrative functions.

You will have good telephone and customer service skills, a good working knowledge of Microsoft word and excel and some practical administrative experience. The ability to deal with difficult customers and some knowledge of the parking industry would be advantageous.

You will be required to attend a short skills assessment as part of the selection process. **Ref: ADRO/PG**

Community Services
Public Health and Community Well Being

CCTV Operator

Circa £13,000 - £14,500 per annum + 7.5% shift allowance

We are looking for people to provide high quality, efficient and effective CCTV control services. You will contribute to the achievement of CCTV team objectives which include deterring and detecting crime, increasing personal safety, reducing fear of crime and protecting private and public property.

Often working in pressurised situations you will be quick thinking and articulate, with good communication skills. You will also have the ability to work alone or part of a team. Appropriate experience of working in a CCTV control room or previous security surveillance experience is desirable although not essential as training will be provided.

You will be required to work within an established shift system which includes some unsocial hours and weekend working.

Appointment is subject to satisfactory completion of an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check. **Ref: CCTVO/RB**

Closing date: 19 October 2007.

For an application form and job description please contact:
Customer Services Gravesham Borough Council,
Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AU.

Telephone 01474 33 70 00
Email customer.services@gravesham.gov.uk
Website //www.gravesham.gov.uk

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ACCOUNTANCY

JOB TITLE:
Bookkeeper
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Bookkeeper who is conversant with Sage Software. Knowledge of SORP, Charity Commission accounts system preferable. This is also a part time post, max 14 hours per week. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

ADMINISTRATION, SECRETARIAL, PA

JOB TITLE:
Administrator
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for an Administrator to oversee the running of the estate who will be answerable to the Board of Trustees. This would be a part time post (15 hours, flexible) and may be suitable for someone who is looking to wind down in their career prior to or after agerelated retirement. Knowledge of charity law, Health & Safety regulations, employment law and some understanding of accountancy would be desirable. Please phone or email for further information.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Commercial Trainees
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£13-15k
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Due to succession planning, Arriva Southern Counties are able to offer an exceptional opportunity to become a commercial trainee. Training will be provided in the following areas: Planning bus services and timetables Scheduling vehicles and drivers for the various routes Liaising with local authorities Bus Service Tendering Local negotiations with staff and Trade Unions Bus Depot Operations The successful applicant will need to demonstrate that they are literate, numerate and familiar with Microsoft Office. Inreturn, we offer: A Structured One Year Training Programme Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Compant pension scheme
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Examinations Administrator
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Kent Scheme Grade 9 £22,020 to £25,188 pa
COMPANY:
Northfleet School for Girls
Northfleet School for Girls is an oversubscribed, happy and dynamic High School situated close to the Bluewater Retail Park. We are seeking to employ an Experienced Examinations Administrator Term time + 5 days per year The post holder will be responsible for the smooth running of all aspects of all in school examinations and the accurate recording of pupil attainment for statutory and in-school assessments. Must be computer literate with a good knowledge of SIMS and Microsoft packages and an ability to communicate and co-operate effectively at all levels, with tact and diplomacy. The position requires a flexible approach to working, the ability to work as part of team as well as under your own initiative and good communication skills at all levels are essential. Full job descriptions available on request. To apply please submit a full C.V. to Personnel Administrator at Northfleet School for Girls, Hall Road, Northfleet, Kent DA11 8AQ Tel: 0844 477 2525) or email personnel@northfleetgirls.kent.sch.uk.
TO APPLY:
Northfleet School for Girls
Tel: 0844 477 2525
Email
personnel@northfleetgirls.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Reception/Administrator required for maternity cover
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
£15k pa
COMPANY:
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Reception/Administrator required for maternity Cover with view to be a permanent position. Working for a busy cheese importers & distributors based in Paddock Wood. General office & reception duties. Must have pervious experience with all office software products and pleasant telephone manner. Mon – Fri 9am – 6pm 25 holidays pa £15k pa To apply please send your CV with covering letter to jasonfisher@rowcliffe.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Jason Fisher
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Tel: 01892 839950
Email jasonfisher@rowcliffe.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Receptionist
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for an interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Site Director's PA
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£21-28k
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
Key duties include the provision of a confidential secretarial and administrative function for the Site Director, assisting with confidential mail, arranging meetings, accommodation and travel, minute taking, organising itineraries for visitors and helping to co-ordinate resources. Applicants should have experience in a secretarial role and hold an RSA II and III Typing qualification, Private Secretary's Certificate or an equivalent Secretarial qualification with knowledge and experience of Microsoft Word and Excel. Shorthand is essential. Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. For an application pack please contact the Personnel Office quoting the relevant reference number on 01797 343599 or by email. CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience.
TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
Tel: 01797 343599
Email
claire.e.morris@magnoxsouthsites.com
CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT

JOB TITLE:
Head Gardener
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Head Gardener to lead a small team caring for our grounds of approx 38 acres comprising woodland, flower beds and particularly our Memorial Rose Garden. Accommodation may be available. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

CATERING, HOSPITALITY

JOB TITLE:
Chef / Cook
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Coffee Corner
We are currently recruiting for an experienced Chef / Cook to join this busy, friendly restaurant in Bearsted. Shifts will include a weekend day but no evenings. Good rates of pay. Own transport preferred
TO APPLY:
Sheila
Coffee Corner
Tel: 01622 736744
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Guest Service Assistant – Catering
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Start rate of pay £5.77 per hour
COMPANY:
Holiday Inn Ashford North
Hours variable per week from 16+ to include some weekends. Evening work from 6pm- midnight. 12 week probationary period Benefits – training provided, special staff rates at IHG hotels, free meals on duty, uniform provided The successful candidate will be working within a busy yet relaxed restaurant/lounge environment ensuring that guest expectations are met through excellent customer service. Candidates should have excellent communication skills, be highly customer focused, presentable and hardworking. Candidates will be required to work behind the Bar and will be multi-skilled in all aspects of the Catering department.
TO APPLY:
Tracey Alexander
Holiday Inn Ashford North
Tel: 01233 713333
Email tracey.alexander@hiashford.com

JOB TITLE:
Part time Catering Assistants
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£6.18 - £8.05 per hour + shift allowance + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
Join us and we'll offer you real ownership, a 'say' in how the business is run and fantastic benefits, including discounts in Waitrose and John Lewis, pension scheme, free meals on duty and five weeks' holiday (after three years' service). To find out more about becoming a Catering Partner with a different kind of retailer, drop-in to see us at our Open Day anytime between 9am and 6pm, Tuesday 16th October at Beddow Way, Aylesford. If you can't make it to our Open Day, please send your CV to
Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Part-Time Chefs
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£8.20 - £10.70 per hour + shift allowance + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
Join us and we'll offer you real ownership, a 'say' in how the business is run and fantastic benefits, including discounts in Waitrose and John Lewis, pension scheme, free meals on duty and five weeks' holiday (after three years' service). To find out more about becoming a Catering Partner with a different kind of retailer, drop-in to see us at our Open Day anytime between 9am and 6pm, Tuesday 16th October at Beddow Way, Aylesford. If you can't make it to our Open Day, please send your CV to
Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

CHILD CARE

JOB TITLE:
After School Club Deputy Supervisor - 17.5 hours per week - Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club, Margate
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£6.50 ph
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club, Salmestone School, Margate Deputy Supervisor – 17.5 hours per week term time only We are looking to recruit a Deputy Supervisor at Fuzzy Frogs Out of School Club which is based at Salmestone School, Margate. Qualified to at least level 3 in childcare, you will supervise the running of the holiday club in the absence of the Manager. You should have experience of working with children in a childcare setting, be motivated, enthusiastic and possess a good sense of humour, in order to provide a high quality play environment for children attending the out of school club. You should be experienced in planning and organising staffing schedules, willing to take responsibility in the absence of the supervisor for day to day organisation of the setting, and have a clear understanding of the National Standards for Out of School Care and the KCC Safeguarding Children policy. If you are interested in this role, please contact Carina Harrison, Fuzzy Frogs Manager on 07999592263 You can request an application form and job description from Maria at Thanet Early Years by telephone on 01843 591200 or by email maria@thanetearlyyears.org. Closing date: 5th October 2007. Interviews to be held in the week commencing 15th October 2007. All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
CLOSING DATE 15/10/07

JOB TITLE:
Flexible Bank Staff required to work after 3.00 pm for Thanet EarlyYears Project
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
£5.46 plus 43p holiday pay

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COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Flexible Bank Staff required! £5.46 per hour plus 43p holiday pay To be available to work after 3.00 pm, and ideally during school holidays Thanet Early Years Project is looking to recruit to their bank of flexible staff. We are looking for staff who would be available after 3.00 pm to work in our After School Clubs and early evening creches. Ability and willingness to work during the school holidays would be an advantage. You would need to be qualified to at least Level 2 in Early Years Childcare, have relevant and demonstrable childcare experience, a good sense of humour, and have a flexible attitude to working hours. If you are interested in working for us, please contact Sharon Vial, Creche Manager, 07971177737 for an informal chat. To request an application form, please contact Maria Knight on 01843 591200 or by email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org

JOB TITLE:
Houseparent
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
£14,849 - £16,817, 33 hours per week – Term time only
COMPANY:
Bradstow School
Bradstow is a fascinating and different residential school for children between the ages of 5 & 19, set in 13 acres of parkland just a few hundred metres from the sandy beaches of Broadstairs. We seek to meet the needs of children with autism, severe learning difficulties and challenging behaviour and have achieved national recognition for our developments in Communication and Behaviour Management. Working as part of the childcare team the successful candidate will be responsible for the care of the children out of school hours. This vacancy is for 33 hours per week, term time only. Please call, during normal office hours, or email personnel@bradstow.wandsworth.sch for an application form and information pack. CV's will not be considered. Completed application forms must be returned by 12 noon on Friday 12th October 2007. Short listed candidates will be expected to visit the school over the weekend of 13th and 14th October and the interviews will be held on Monday 15th October 2007. The interview will include a 5 – 10 minute presentation on your view of the responsibilities and importance of the Keyworker role. You are advised to prepare this in advance.
TO APPLY:
Bradstow School
Tel: 01843 862123
Email personnel@bradstow.wandsworth.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 NOON, FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2007

CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS

JOB TITLE:
Architect Planner
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
John Floydd & Associates
An excellent career opportunity to join a friendly, established, well respected Practice. We require experienced, innovative staff with excellent design and technical skills. Proficiency in Autocad, aligned with sound technical knowledge is essential. Salary according to experience. Please apply in writing with CV to Mr John Floydd, RIBA 36 High Street, Ashford, Kent, TN24 8TE Tel: 01233 898430 Email: mail@johnfloydd.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
John Ffloydd
John Floydd & Associates
Tel: 01233 898430
Email mail@johnfloydd.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Floor Layers required
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Avalone Flooring Ltd
Floor layers required for Sheet vinyl, Carpets, Carpet tiles, Woods Laminates etc. For more information contact Mike on 01634 200909. Avalone Flooring Ltd Unit 17K Altbarn Industrial Estate, Revenge Road, Lordswood, Chatham, ME5 8UD Fax: 01634 200912 E-mail: avaloneflooring@aol.com Only experienced people need apply.
TO APPLY:
Mike
Avalone Flooring Ltd
Tel: 01634 200909
Email avaloneflooring@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Technical Assistant – Building Control
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£17,043 - £20,649
COMPANY:
Shepway District Council
An excellent opportunity has arisen to join our Building Control Team. You will report to a Senior Building Control Officer and will be responsible for providing technical and clerical support to the Building Control Surveyors, attaining best possible standards of service delivery and customer care. Key elements of the role include: • validate all building regulation applications, including assessment of fees • administrate street naming and numbering • be responsible for dealing with all queries from the public and external agents on building control issues • maintain and update manual and computer records. In addition we are looking for someone who is proficient in the use of Word, Excel and Outlook, and has a strong customer focus with excellent communication skills. For an informal discussion, please contact Kevin Tomsett or Nick Lewington on 01303 853538. Application details can be downloaded at www.shepway.gov.uk alternatively email jobs@shepway.gov.uk or call our 24 hour answer phone service on (01303) 853481.The closing date for applications is Friday 19 October 2007. Interviews will be held shortly after the closing date.Shepway District Council is an Equal Opportunities Employer and welcomes applications irrespective of race, colour, age, sex or disability.
TO APPLY:
Kevin Tomsett
Shepway District Council
Tel: 01303 853538
Email jobs@shepway.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Tradesman
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
O'Connells Drywall Contractors Ltd
We have secured many contracts around the Kent area and require new tradesmen to join our team of highly motivated operatives. We require Tackers, MF Ceiling fixers, Stickers (Dot & Dab), Metal Studders, Jointers (Hand & Machine), Making Good. You will be required to supply your own tools and generators. Experienced tradesmen need only apply. Good rates of pay to local tradesmen. Please contact us on 01634-263121. Local work for local tradesmen.
TO APPLY:
John O'Connell
O'Connells Drywall Contractors Ltd
Tel: 01634 263121
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

CUSTOMER SERVICE, CALL CENTRE

JOB TITLE:
Customer Service/Internal Sales Assistant
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Undisclosed
A leading UK manufacturer of plumbing industry related products is seeking an internal sales assistant to further customer relationships and maximise sales opportunities. The ideal candidate will have some knowledge of the construction industry and related sectors eg refurbishment and preferably a mechanical bias such as building services installation or maintenance. The job itself requires an enthusiastic motivated individual, who can work with a diverse range of customers the majority of whom are currently UK based. Key tasks will include the following up quotations, handling telephone enquiries, and ongoing maintenance of up to date database records. Essential attributes are a confident telephone manner, numerical accuracy, and attention to detail. The company is offering an attractive salary and a lively working environment to the right individual. Please reply in the first instance to: PO Box 120, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk
TO APPLY:
Undisclosed
Email jan.wood@kosmedia.co.uk

EDUCATION, TEACHER, SCHOOL

JOB TITLE:
Assistant Headteacher Foundation Stage
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Leadership 5 to 9
COMPANY:
Temple Mill Primary School
TO APPLY:
Sandra Ross
Temple Mill Primary School
Tel: 01634 338200
Email headteacher@templemill.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 10 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Caretaker
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£14,464
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Post Ref: 04/03/KOS Staff Benefits include: Pension and Life Assurance Scheme Close to Town Centre Generous Holiday Allowance Sports Hall and Gym at Canterbury campus Proximity to main bus/train stations Staff Discount Scheme
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 18/10/2007 AT 12 NOON

JOB TITLE:
Citizenship & History Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
Main Scale
COMPANY:
Rainham School for Girls
Citizenship & History Teacher
TO APPLY:
Jacqueline Dunn
Rainham School for Girls
Tel: 01634 362746
Email admin@rsg.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 15 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Classroom Managers
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£17,842 - £19,572 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
Term time only 8.30 am - 3.00pm. To supervise classes during the absence of subject teachers. Classroom Managers will give instructions for a lesson as provided by subject teacher and carry out administrative skills, be able to interact well with students and staff, be able to manage a variety of situations, be calm and work well under pressure.
TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Curriculum Support Assistant - Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
Starting £18,285 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week, 38 weeks term time, fixed term post to 31 July 2008.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
Educational Maintenance Allowance Assistant
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £14,464 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week, 40 weeks term time, fixed term post to 31 August 2008.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
ENGLISH SUBJECT LEAD LEARNER
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
TLR 2B
COMPANY:
Aylesford School - Sports College
The School is at an exciting time in its growth, as it has recently undergone a complete re-build under the Government's PFI scheme. With brand new, purpose-built facilities, allied to our Specialist Sports College status, the School will provide the successful applicant with the opportunity for personal and professional development. We are seeking to appoint an experienced teacher who has the drive and innovation to further develop this exciting department within the school. Applications are particularly sought from candidates with experience in teaching drama who could take a leading role in developing drama within the school. The post holder should be able to motivate colleagues and pupils to achieve, take a leading role in developing this forward thinking department under the Sports College Development Plan. This is a non-smoking site. To request an information pack and application form, please contact Jill McKenna on (01622) 717341 ext 204. The closing date is Tuesday 9th October 2007 12.00 noon. Interviews will be held the week beginning Monday 15th October 2007. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Check via the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Jill McKenna
Aylesford School - Sports College
Tel: 01622 717341
Email jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 09/10/2007

JOB TITLE:
Full Time Cover Tutor - East Kent
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
Starting salary £7.14 p/h
COMPANY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Own transport required. To work with students aged 14 - 16 in an Alternative Curriculum setting. Good standard of education essential & experience working with teenagers an advantage although full training provided. Applicants need to be confident, well organised and empathic as some students need additional support. Enhanced CRB will be carried out. Phone our Head Office on 01622 685635 to apply.
TO APPLY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Tel: 01622 685635
Email threshold.maid@btconnect.com

JOB TITLE:
Full Time Lead Tutor - Dover Centre
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
Starting salary £8.17 p/h
COMPANY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Good standard of education essential & experience working with teenagers an advantage although full training provided. Applicants need to be confident, well organised and empathic as some students need additional support. Enhanced CRB will be carried out. Phone our Head Office on 01622 685635 to apply.
TO APPLY:
Threshold Learning Centres Ltd
Tel: 01622 685635
Email threshold.maid@btconnect.com

JOB TITLE:
Head of Sports Studies/Boys PE Teacher
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
MPG+£2627 (TLR)
COMPANY:
Dane Court Grammar School
Required for September an enthusiastic and well-qualified teacher of Sport Studies at 'A' level and Boys P.E for this popular 11-18 mixed selective school, located in the attractive seaside town of Broadstairs. The school produces teams and individuals performing to County level. Students are enthusiastic about both taught and extra curricular sport. Facilities are good, with superb facilities guaranteed in the next two years through 'Building Schools for the Future'.We are seeking a well qualified graduate to lead an established Sports Studies Department at 'A' level, as well as to teach Boys P.E. throughout the School. Apply as soon as possible by letter and CV. Further details may be obtained from the Headteacher.
TO APPLY:
Mr P J Luxmoore
Dane Court Grammar School
Tel: 01843 864941
Email head@danecourt.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 28 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key Stage 1 Leader
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS/ UPS + TLR/Assist. Head
COMPANY:
Walderslade Primary School
TO APPLY:
Angela Milne
Walderslade Primary School
Tel: 01634 861660
Email headteacher@walderslade-pri.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key Stage 1 Leader
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS/ UPS + TLR/Assist. Head
COMPANY:
Walderslade Primary School
TO APPLY:
Angela Milne
Walderslade Primary School
Tel: 01634 861660
Email headteacher@walderslade-pri.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
KS1 Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main Payscale
COMPANY:
Lordswood Infant School
TO APPLY:
Mrs A Campbell
Lordswood Infant School
Tel: 01634 861525
Email office@lordswoodinf.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Learning Support Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £16,284 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week 38 weeks term time.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer - Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£17,729-25,420 pro rata
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Post Ref: 01/83/KOS Staff benefits include: Pension and Life Assurance Scheme Close to town centre Generous Holiday Allowance Sports Hall and Gym at Canterbury campus Proximity to main bus/train stations Staff Discount Scheme
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 18/10/07 AT 12 NOON

JOB TITLE:
Lecturer Key Skills - Construction
LOCATION:
CANTERBURY
SALARY:
£17,729-£25,420 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
18.5 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
Librarian/Multi Media Assistant
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Salary: KS3 (Pt.11) - £5,791.85p.a.(pro rata to £15,449 for a full time employment)
COMPANY:
Oakfield Junior School
Required to work 17 hours per week (11.45am to 3.15pm Monday to Thursday and 11.45am to 2.45pm Friday). We have a multi-media room with books and computers used together to support children's learning. Interviews: Monday 5th November 2007. Apply to:Oakfield Junior School, Oakfield Lane, Dartford, DA1 2SW Tel: 01322 220831 for an application form.
TO APPLY:
Oakfield Junior School
Tel: 01322 220831
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 26 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Medway Experienced Teacher Pool
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Paid to Scale
COMPANY:
Medway Council
TO APPLY:
Elaine Hunt
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 332469
Email teaching@medway.gov.uk

JOB TITLE:
PE Vacancy
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
TBA Maternity Cover
COMPANY:
Ursuline College
We are looking for a full time enthusiastic and dynamic teacher of Physical Education to cover maternity leave from 25th February to 30th June 2008. The successful candidate will be expected to deliver PE lessons across the PE curriculum, some after school netball and rounders, and have an understanding of BTEC level 2 in Sport (GCSE PE would be an advantage but not essential). The successful candiate will join a team of committed specialist teachers in a department which has high expectations of all pupils and offers a wide and varied curriculum. For an application form, please apply to Mr Mervyn Davey at the above address or check out our website.
TO APPLY:
Mervyn Davey
Ursuline College
Tel: 01843 834431
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Registry Team Leader
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£23,536 per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
37 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Secondary Consultant Mathematics
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£40,104 - £42,219 per annum
COMPANY:
Medway Council
TO APPLY:
Keith Morrison
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 338547
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 8 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
SENCO Advanced Skills Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR1a
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss
New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 852341
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 9 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
SENCO Advanced Skills Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR1a
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss
New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 852341
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 9 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Supply Invigilators
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £6.68 per hour
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
Various hours available.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher/Instructor Tefl Or Tesol
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
(£14,000 — £20,000) 32.5 hours/39 weeks
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
At MCC we are committed to realising everyone's potential and improving levels of achievement in the local community. We believe firmly in the principles of lifelong learning and are dedicated to developing education opportunities for all young people in our school community. We are increasingly welcoming students to MCC whose first language is not English and to ensure they too have every opportunity to 'Enjoy and Achieve' we require staff: To teach and support these students and to encourage them to communicate with each other using the structures and vocabulary they have learned and to improve the four basic language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Closing date: 10th October noon Interviews anticipated: w/b 15 th October Medway Community College is committed to safeguarding a promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening including checks with past employers and the Criminal Records Bureau. For further details and an Application Pack please contact Mrs P Walshe, at the above address or: Telephone: 01634 845196/7 Fax: 01634 406475 E-mail: walsp001@medway.org.uk
TO APPLY:
Mrs P Walshe
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 845196/7
Email walsp001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 10TH OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistant
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Greenfields Community Primary School
Greenfields Primary School in Maidstone 22.25 hrs a week, 39 weeks a year Kent Scheme level 3 – Between 0.7 and 0.10. Dependant on experience and qualifications required to support a KS2 teacher. 5 hrs of the 22.25 per week you will be required to take on a midday meal supervisory role.
TO APPLY:
Greenfields Community Primary School
Tel: 01622 758538
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistant
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ursuline College
Required immediately to support pupils with Special Educational Needs. Applicants must have a genuine concern for young people and should be able to support pupils up to GCSE level. Experience might be an advantage. Flexibility, good communication skills and a sense of humour are essential. For an application form, please apply to Mrs Angela Bamford at the above address or check out our website www.ursuline.org.uk.
TO APPLY:
Angela Bamford
Ursuline College
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
Closing Date 26 October 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistant
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£16,221-£17,842 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
To work in our unit for students with visual impairment Term time only, 38 weeks - 32 hours per week) This post would suit a Teaching Assistant who is experienced and qualified in visual impairment and is keen to take on additional responsibilities and develop their career further. You will be required to carry out administrative duties have parental contact and line manage other Teaching Assistants.
TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pentvalley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistants
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Grade D2 Points 12-21 (£14,000 - £18,000) (27.5 hours/39 weeks)
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
Grade D2 Points 12-21 (£14,000 - £18,000) (27.5 hours/39 weeks) 8.30am – 3.00pm = 5.5 hrs per day with 30 mins for lunch (1.00pm – 1.30pm) To provide support to students on learning programmes in groups or individually where required and as directed in the following curriculum area(s): • Inclusion Zone: AEN (Additional Educational Needs); Transition+ (Year 6/7 transfer project) • Communications (English; French; Spanish) • Science • Maths For further details and an Application Pack please contact Mrs P Walshe, at the above address or: Telephone: 01634 845196/7 Fax: 01634 406475 E-mail: walsp001@medway.org.uk Closing date: 10th October noon Interviews anticipated: w/b 15 th October Medway Community College is committed to safeguarding a promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening including checks with past employers and the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Mrs P Walshe,
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 845196/7
Email walsp001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 10TH OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
TLR1 Assistant Faculty leader Enterprise/ Leading Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS + TLR 1C (8,405)
COMPANY:
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
TO APPLY:
David Kelly
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 842811
Email office@st-johnfisher.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 15 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Work Based Training Advisor
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
from £18,285 pro rata per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury College
29.6 hours per week.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury College
Tel: 01227 811282
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 18 OCTOBER

ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES

JOB TITLE:
Assistant Engineer Defuelling
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£36-47k to £42-55k (upon completion of training & including shift pay)
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
This combines two roles namely Central Control Room (CCR) Operations and Plant/Fuel Route Operations working in one of five shift teams that operate the sites plant and equipment, 24 hours a day. Applicants should be educated to HNC/HND level (or equivalent) in an engineering discipline with experience of the operation and maintenance of plant and a broad knowledge of mechanical, electrical, control and instrument engineering. The roles involve providing direct control and supervision and may involve a high degree of investigative and fault finding activities. This role will require the applicant to be part of the Site Emergency Response Team in addition to their normal duties and will require a high degree of physical fitness, working in confined spaces, hot temperatures and at heights (e.g. 100ft). Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. For an application pack please contact the Personnel Office quoting the relevant reference number. CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience.

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JobsforKent.co.uk

TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
Tel: 01797 343599
Email
claire.e.morris@magnoxsouthsites.com
CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Development Engineer
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
Negotiable + car allowance, relocation package and final salary pension scheme
COMPANY:
Dover Harbour Board
Europe's busiest and most successful ferry port, we handle 15 million passengers, 3 million tourist vehicles and 2 million freight vehicles a year. With these figures set to increase, we are investing around £300m in a new ferry terminal and associated infrastructure including a marina, property development and traffic regulation. With the momentum already building there's never been a more exciting time to join our team. You'll be heavily involved in all aspects of construction, from feasibility, design and detailing through to Project Management for new works and the maintenance of existing installations. Our forward workload is hugely varied, so you'll be working not only on maritime-related projects, but also civil engineering and building schemes. To make an impact, you'll need to be a widely experienced Civil Engineer (Chartered or Incorporated) or a graduate with some experience, working towards corporate membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers. You'll be given full training and support to gain this and when achieved, this will open up a clearly defined career path. A background in project management and delivery will prove invaluable, as will experience within a port or maritime environment. We are also interested in hearing from new graduates for future engineering opportunities.
TO APPLY:
24 hour recruitment line
Dover Harbour Board
Tel: 01304 240400 ext4668
Email recruitment@doverport.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Domestic/Commercial Corgi Registered Gas Engineers
LOCATION:
Orpington
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Stangas Ltd
Excellent Terms and Conditions. A modern company operating in the traditional gas servicing industry around SE London & Kent is expanding and has opportunities as detailed. Please call Mr. G. Land on 01689 896 089 or send your CV and covering letter to Mr. G. Land, Stangas Limited, 2 Kingfisher House, Crayfields Business Park, New Mill Road, Orpington, Kent BR5 5QG. Stangas promotes equality at all levels & values diversity.
TO APPLY:
Mr G Land
Stangas Ltd
Tel: 01689 896089
Email info@stangas.com

JOB TITLE:
Engineering Manager - Grays, Essex
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Our Grays Depot operates a mixture of Arriva Commercial and London Bus services, making this a varied and challenging role. The successful candidate will be required to ensure that all repairs and maintenance work are carried out within budget and to the required service levels, to ensure that lost mileage is kept to an absolute minimum. The successful applicant will also be fully responsible for managing and controlling the costs associated with stores and stock, without comprimising the availability of parts for service. You should be able to demonstrate a leadership capability, be able to recognise that the safety of employees and customers comes first, understand planned maintenance and MOT schedules, have an engineering transport background with recognised professional qualifications and be committed to developing yourself and your staff. In return, we offer: Competitive salary and benefits package commensurate with your experience A company car Performance related bonus scheme Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Final salary pension scheme
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Timber/Cross Cut Sawyer/Experienced Forklift Driver/Pallet Makers
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
tba
COMPANY:
Invicta Borough Green Sawmills Ltd
Various positions available
TO APPLY:
Invicta Borough Green Sawmills Ltd
Tel: 01634 382000
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Lead Work Control Co-ordinator
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£34-45k
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
Supporting the Head of Works Control you will develop and coordinate the execution of Station plans, monitor compliance with Site Licence requirements, Statutory Regulations, procedures and Safety Rules. You will be computer literate with a detailed knowledge of Planning and Work Control principles with at least two years experience in a maintenance or operational role ideally with an ONC/BTEC or equivalent in engineering or demonstrable knowledge and experience. Knowledge of Microsoft Projects and P3E is desirable although training would be provided, if necessary. Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. For an application pack please contact the Personnel Office quoting the relevant reference number.CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience.
TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
Tel: 01797 343599
Email claire.e.morris@magnoxsouthsites.com
CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Maintenance Technicians
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£21-28k
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
Mechanical: responsible for the maintenance and repair of pumps, values and heavy mechanical plant. Machining experience would be an advantage. Electrical: responsible for the routine maintenance of transformers and associated MV/HV switchgear; repair of medium voltage AC and DC motors and associated control equipment. Applicants should have experience of fault finding and defect repair on a wide range of low/medium voltage control and alarm systems. Applicants must have good experience within an Engineering environment, and possess a relevant engineering/ craft qualification to at least City & Guilds II or equivalent level. The applicant will required to be physically fit as part of the normal duties may entail working in confined spaces, hot temperatures and at heights (e.g.100ft). Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. For an application pack please contact the Personnel Office quoting the relevant reference number on 01797 343599 or by email. CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience. In promoting equal opportunities we welcome applications from all the sections of the community.
TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
Tel: 01797 343599
Email
claire.e.morris@magnoxsouthsites.com
CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Shift Defuelling Technician
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£27-36k (including shift pay)
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
Working in one of five shift teams that operate the sites plant and equipment, 24 hours a day, the post holder will have the ability to solve operational problems and investigate plant faults. Experience of working in a heavy industrial or Process Manufacturing environment is essential. The successful candidate will be highly motivated and will utilise existing skills in the areas of Operations, Maintenance and Radiological Protection to work on the Fuel Route, reactor support systems and a wide range of auxiliary plant. This role will require the applicant to be part of the site Emergency Response Team in addition to their normal duties and will require a high degree of physical fitness, working in confined spaces, hot temperatures and at heights (e.g. 100ft). Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. For an application pack please contact the Personnel Office quoting the relevant reference number. CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience.
TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
Tel: 01797 343599
Email
claire.e.morris@magnoxsouthsites.com
CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Skilled Shift Engineers - Maidstone and Gillingham
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£22K + benefits
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
We are seeking a qualified PCV/HGV engineer with a "can do" attitude. The ideal candidate will possesss excellent diagnostic skills and be a good communicator as emphasis on team working will be paramount. Familiarity with Department of Transport Standards would also be desirable. The main focus of the role is to assist in maintaining a mixed vehicle fleet. It is a full time position, includes shift work and will at times require the successful applicant to work unsupervised in maintaining our vehicles to the highest standard of safety and quality In return, we offer: Competitive salary and benefits package Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme Free bus travel for yourself, partner and eligible children
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Technical Assistant
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
£16k - £18k
COMPANY:
Church in Society
Checkmate Safety are designers and manufacturers of height safety equipment based in Sheerness, Kent. We are currently seeking a Technical Assistant to join our highly motivated and innovative design and sales team. You will need to be experienced in 3D, CAD, ideally SolidWorks. Please send CV and covering letter to the Technical Manager, Checkmate Safety LLP, New Road, Sheerness, Kent ME12 1PZ.
TO APPLY:
Church in Society
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

ESTATE AGENCY, PROPERTY

JOB TITLE:
Land Agents/New Homes Sales
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Acorn Land & New Homes
If you have a genuine interest in property, enjoyed success as a residential or commercial agent and are smart, professional and self-motivated, you might just be the person we're looking for! We are the South East's fastest growing Land & New Homes Agency, and following the recent further expansion of our business we have several vacancies within both Divisions. We have offices in Bromley/Beckenham, Kings Hill and London Bridge, with further expansion planned in the near future. Competitive salary dependent upon experience. For further information on these positions, please contact Emma Drury on 020 8315 5454 or
emma.drury@acorn.ltd.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Drury
Acorn Land & New Homes
Tel: 020 8315 5454
Email emma.drury@acorn.ltd.uk

JOB TITLE:
Secretarial
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Acorn Land & New Homes
Due to the continuing expansion of our Land & Strategic Property and New Homes Division, two positions have arisen for Team Secretaries at our offices in Kings Hill, West Malling. The ideal candidates will be well presented, organised, computer literate with a minimum typing speed of 40wpm and have the ability to interact with clients at all levels. Confidence and personality essential, but experience not necessary. Competitive salary depending on experience. For further information on these positions, please contact Emma Drury on 020 8315 5454 or emma.drury@acorn.ltd.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Drury
Acorn Land & New Homes
Tel: 020 8315 5454
Email emma.drury@acorn.ltd.uk

HR, RECRUITMENT

JOB TITLE:
HR Trainer & Officer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£20-25k + benefits
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
Reporting to the HR Manager, the successful applicant will be CIPD qualified, preferably with experience in working within a multi-site unionised environment. This is a generalist role and you will be required to: Provide support and guidance on a day to day basis to management on all levels Ensure consistency and best practice across 13 depots Assist managers in disciplinary/grievance/absence matters Advise on HR and Training policies and procedures Maintain good working relationships with the union and other external agencies and relevant professional bodies Manage your own workload and work to tight deadlines In return, we offer: Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme 25 days paid annual leave
TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

INDUSTRIAL, WAREHOUSE, FACTORY

JOB TITLE:
20X Removals Porters
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Real Recruitment Consultancy Ltd
Required for ongoing work in Dartford 6 months, experience preferred, £Good.
TO APPLY:
Gemma
Real Recruitment Consultancy Ltd
Tel: 0208 597 9977
Email gemma@real-recruitment.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Production Operative - Inspection
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
6.58 per hour
COMPANY:
TV One Ltd
We are looking for an experienced electronic Production Operative with a focus towards Inspection. The successful candidate will have a keen eye for detail who takes a pride in their work. A good team player with experience in SMT machine operation and conventional hand assembly. This position also has the potential to advance into QA and Test.
TO APPLY:
Amanda Mallett
TV One Ltd
Tel: 01843 873300
Email recruit.europe@tvone.com

JOB TITLE:
Xmas temps for Warehouse/Production Work
LOCATION:
Tonbridge
SALARY:
£6.05 per hour + O/T
COMPANY:
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Xmas temps for Warehouse/Production work. £6.05 per hour + O/T. Variety of hours available
TO APPLY:
Gemma Bradley
Anthony Rowcliffe & Son Ltd
Tel: 01892 839950
Email gemmabradley@rowcliffe.co.uk

INFORMATION TECH, INTERNET, TELECOMS

JOB TITLE:
Information Architects
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
Does the idea of working for one of the largest digital marketing agencies in the region, in a position that is not only fulfilling but offers bonuses & benefits as well as an attractive salary, appeal to you? If you feel you have the skills to join a company that is genuinely going places, get in touch now.
TO APPLY:
Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

JOB TITLE:
Internet Professionals
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
Does the idea of working for one of the largest digital marketing agencies in the region, in a position that is not only fulfilling but offers bonuses & benefits as well as an attractive salary, appeal to you? If you feel you have the skills to join a company that is genuinely going places, get in touch now.
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Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

JOB TITLE:
IT & Technical Support
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£16,500 - £17,500 dependent on experience & abilities
COMPANY:
TV One Ltd
Good customer skills? Experience of Technical Support? In-House IT maintenance Skills? Position primarily involves supporting our customers with technical support for our range of Audio Visual products via the phone. Product specific training will be given. The role also includes in-house IT support and maintenance. Contact us for further information and an application form.
TO APPLY:
Amanda Mallett - TV One Ltd
Tel: 01843 873300
Email recruit.europe@tvone.com

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JOB TITLE:
Usability Experts
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
Does the idea of working for one of the largest digital marketing agencies in the region, in a position that is not only fulfilling but offers bonuses & benefits as well as an attractive salary, appeal to you? If you feel you have the skills to join a company that is genuinely going places, get in touch now.
TO APPLY:
Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

JOB TITLE:
Web Designers - Middleweight & Senior
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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TO APPLY:
Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

JOB TITLE:
Web Programmers- Junior Middleweight & Senior
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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TO APPLY:
Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

JOB TITLE:
PA to Managing Director
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
circa £20,000
COMPANY:
Thanet Leisure Force
PA to Managing Director. Kay House, Margate, 37 hours per week, Grade: 21-24. We are currently seeking to appoint a PA to the Managing Director. The post holder will provide a personal assistant service to the Managing Director and Senior Management team. This will include anything from diary management and general administration to updating the internet site and assisting with the coordination of Company events. The successful candidate must: Possess English language GSCE grade C or above. (Or equivalent), Possess 50/60 wpm typing speed, Possess Word processing skills, Be able to produce well presented work under pressure, Be able to prioritise work for self and others, Have good time management skills, Be able to identify training needs of self and others, Have good understanding of the principles of customer care, Have a polite manner (even under pressure), Be able to maintain confidentiality, Be willing to undertake training to meet identified training and development needs., Possess two years PA/Secretarial experience at Director level, Have extensive experience of all aspects of Microsoft Office, Have a smart, clean appearance, Have a flexible approach to hours of work. (Some early morning and evening work will be required). Interested? To apply: please telephone 227959 for an application form and job description.
TO APPLY:
Sam Rose
Thanet Leisure Force
Tel: 01843 227959
Email recruitment@leisureforce.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 8TH OCTOBER 2007

MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS

JOB TITLE:
Area Fundraising Managers
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Demelza House
For South London, Central London and East Kent. Based from home, working within one of the above areas, you will nurture the support of the local community, recruit and manage volunteers and help to implement initiatives to provide income and profile for our work across all sections of the population. You must demonstrate previous professional fundraising experience or a sales or marketing background, excellent verbal, written and IT communication/presentation skills to deliver a compelling case, excellent time and project management skills, knowledge of the local work area. Competitive salary with car, phone and broadband access from home. You must be able to work to deadlines and challenging targets for all posts. All roles are 37 hours per week, with extensive travel across the region. Managing your own time to best effect and utilising volunteer input, with weekend and evening working, is essential. Please call for an application pack or ring Sue Piper for an informal chat. Interviews from: 18th October, 2007
TO APPLY:
Sue Piper
Demelza House
Tel: 01795 845245
Email info@demelza.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 16TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Area Travel Shop Manager
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£23k + car option
COMPANY:
Arriva Southern Counties
The successful applicant will have day to day management accountability for the operational coverage, development and profitability of the Company's nine Travel Shops located throughout our operating area. Maximising sales of existing product lines, whilst introducing new initiatives to improve site profitability, will figure prominently in this challenging role. Applicants will need to demonstrate excellent analytical and communication skills, whilst being able to lead their travel shop teams to deliver excellent customer service and high levels of product awareness. This role is an excellent opportunity for someone who has the vision and expertise to bring our local travel businesses into the 21st century! In return, we offer: Continuous personal development and support Excellent career prospects Company pension scheme 25 days paid annual leave
TO APPLY:
Anne phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
Email phillipsa.sc@arriva.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Assistant Regional Manager
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£32,000 Kent, Surrey, East & West Sussex – home-based with travel
COMPANY:
JTL Limited
Responsible for the remote management of a sub-team through a range of different communication channels, you'll monitor performance and ensure that we comply with contractual requirements. You'll also support the Regional Manager in the development of successful regional strategies. As well as being educated to NVQ3 level or equivalent, you'll be proficient in IT and have a driving licence and access to a car. For either role, it would be an advantage to have a working knowledge of the contracting and building services industry and experience of work-based learning. In addition to the salary, there is an excellent benefits package that includes a final salary pension scheme and BUPA. So take the next step. Contact our team for an application form by calling 01689 884107 or email hr@jtltraining.com quoting the reference number RM117 for the Manager's role or ARM118 for the Assistant's role. Closing date: 2nd November. Please note: an application form must be completed, we cannot accept CVs. No agencies please.
TO APPLY:
JTL Limited
Tel: 01689 884107
Email hr@jtltraining.com
CLOSING DATE 2 NOVEMBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Business Analyst
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£Competitive + excellent benefits package
COMPANY:
Saga
Ambitious? That's you. Keen to learn and build your career with a growing national business. Then here's an outstanding opportunity to join the leading provider of holidays for people aged 50 and over. Educated to A Level standard or equivalent, you'll need to be highly numerate and analytical. That's because you'll be compiling holiday costings and developing pricing proposals. You'll also carry out analyses to make sure that our prices are always competitive. The ability to work to tight deadlines is important, and you must be able to communicate well with a wide range of people. In return, there are excellent training and development opportunities, plus a clear career path to a more senior role. What's more, you'll enjoy superb benefits including private healthcare, pension scheme, an active social club and more. So if you can see yourself as one of tomorrow's high-flyers, please send your CV with a covering letter to Sarah Smith, HR Manager, Saga Group Limited, The Saga Building, Enbrook Park, Folkestone, Kent CT20 3SE.
TO APPLY:
Sarah Smith
Saga
Tel: 01303 771717
Email human.resources@saga.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Catering Section Manager – Nights
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
£23,700 - £30,900 + benefits
COMPANY:
Waitrose
Join us and we'll offer you real ownership, a 'say' in how the business is run and fantastic benefits, including discounts in Waitrose and John Lewis, pension scheme, free meals on duty and five weeks' holiday (after three years' service). To find out more about becoming a Catering Partner with a different kind of retailer, drop-in to see us at our Open Day anytime between 9am and 6pm, Tuesday 16th October at Beddow Way, Aylesford. If you can't make it to our Open Day, please send your CV to
Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
Emma Lister
Waitrose
Email Emma_Lister@waitrose.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Director of Regeneration
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£31,000 to £34,000
COMPANY:
Church in Society
To enable the continued engagement of the Church of England in the regeneration of the Thames Gateway area in the Diocese of Rochester. Application packs available from Church in Society 2-3 Bedford Place Maidstone Kent ME16 8JB
TO APPLY:
Church in Society Tel: 01622 755014
Email David@churchinsociety.org
CLOSING DATE 24/10/07

JOB TITLE:
Events Manager
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Demelza House
Based at Home or at Demelza Sittingbourne, with established annual events in place, this role will primarily manage a small, hardworking team including motivated volunteers, maximise the potential income and PR of existing events whilst developing and securing new opportunities and supporting external supporter events. Successful applicants will have a professional experience in events at corporate and community levels, proven people management skills, successful track record in researching, developing and implementing successful high profile events, creative and innovative approach combined with an "eye for detail", excellent communication and IT skills. Competitive salary with car, phone and broadband access from home. You must be able to work to deadlines and challenging targets for all posts. All roles are 37 hours per week, with extensive travel across the region. Managing your own time to best effect and utilising volunteer input, with weekend and evening working, is essential. Please call for an application pack. For an informal chat, please call Sue Piper. Interviews from 18th October, 2007.
TO APPLY:
Sue Piper Demelza House
Tel: 01795 845245
Email info@demelza.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 16TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Project Managers
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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JOB TITLE:
Regional Manager
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£38,000 + company car South East – home-based with travel
COMPANY:
JTL Limited
Educated to HNC level or equivalent and with proven managerial ability, you'll monitor the work of our regional team, ensuring that our people are appropriately motivated and trained and deliver a quality service in line with our targets. It's vitally important that we comply with the terms and conditions of appropriate contracts and deliver a high-quality operational strategy. You'll ensure that the regional team is prepared for audits and oversee the negotiation of training provider contracts. Good IT skills and a driving licence are essential. For either role, it would be an advantage to have a working knowledge of the contracting and building services industry and experience of work-based learning. In addition to the salary, there is an excellent benefits package that includes a final salary pension scheme and BUPA. So take the next step. Contact our team for an application form by calling 01689 884107 or email hr@jtltraining.com.
TO APPLY:
JTL Limited
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Email hr@jtltraining.com
CLOSING DATE 2 NOVEMBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Registered Manager Required
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£21,205 - £24,285
COMPANY:
MCCH
Registered Manager required 37hrs per week to lead, coach & motivate team in Canterbury to maintain highest standards of support to service users. Working knowledge of CSCI and Welfare Benefits system. Qualified to NVQ Level 4 or equivalent with management, leadership & communication skills. Call 01622 769109 quoting 148/KOS for application pack. All appointments subject to Criminal Records Disclosure
TO APPLY:
Sue
MCCH
Tel: 01622 769109
Email j.pearce@mcch.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 11TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
RMA Qualified Manager
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Bradstowe Lodge
Bradstowe Lodge Care Home requires an RMA Qualified (or working towards) Manager. Previous management experience necessary Salary/hours to be negotiated. Apply with CV to Mr D Bumpstead (Co-ordinator KOPHS Ltd) 22 Victoria Parade, Broadstairs, Kent CT10 1QL.
TO APPLY:
Mr D Bumpstead
Bradstowe Lodge
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER

JOB TITLE:
Senior Support Officer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572, with progression through contribution related pay £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Working within the busy Strategy, Policy and Performance Support Team, you will possess excellent organisational and budget skills. System maintenance of the budget will be a major component of your work, so you will need to exhibit the ability to prioritise a demanding workload. With an NVQ Level 3 or equivalent in business administration, you will hold an ECDL qualification and be proficient in minute taking. An excellent organiser with proven experience of budget support, you will need to demonstrate a flexible and adaptable approach to the day-to-day business, with the ability to maintain a high degree of confidentiality and discretion at all times. Previous experience of working at a senior level is essential, along with well developed computer skills in Excel, Word, Powerpoint and other packages. You must have excellent communication skills, both written and verbal and be a team player with the ability to communicate effectively at all levels. To apply, visit www.kent.gov.uk/jobs or email us.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247904
Email recruitmentline@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 12PM 12 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
SERVICE MANAGER
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
£18,111 - £24,322 pro-rata
COMPANY:
Carers' Relief Service
Carers' Relief Service DGS require a Service Manager for a basic minimum of 30 hours rising to 37.5 hours per week to continue the development within a progressive well established service. First class people skills are required to manage a team of care workers who support adults with learning disabilities at home and in the community. Skills required include excellent communicator, natural leader and motivator, administrative skills, computer literate. Own transport and telephone essential. We would welcome applicants from those already in a supervisory role. Interviews end October. Further details and application form contact Carers' Relief Service Dartford Gravesham Swanley The Social Education Centre Haig Gardens, Gravesend Kent DA12 1NE.
TO APPLY:
Carers' Relief Service
Tel: 01474 536062
Email care@crsdgs.fsnet.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 15 OCTOBER 2007

MARKETING, ADVERTISING

JOB TITLE:
Marketing Assistant
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572, with progression with contribution related pay £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Working for the Early Years and Childcare Unit, you will assist the Marketing Officer in the development and achievement of the marketing strategy for early years and childcare throughout Kent. You will assist in the production of a newsletter including managing design, proof reading, print and distribution; manage selected suppliers to ensure marketing programmes are delivered on time and to budget; assist in the design and production of advertising and promotional material; implement marketing campaigns, including design, production, mailing, monitoring and measuring and assist in the development of information for the website. Working within this busy marketing environment, you will ideally hold the CIM Diploma in Marketing or similar with a proven track record of delivering effective marketing campaigns. Experience of desktop publishing would be a distinct advantage though not essential. This is a varied and challenging role, which will require you to be a good team player and be able to work on your own initiative. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau. For this post only, for the job description and application form, please contact Emma Hull at Early Years and Childcare Unit, Oakwood House, Maidstone, Kent ME16 8AE, telephone 01622 761050 or email.
TO APPLY:
Emma Hull Kent County Council
Tel: 01622 761050
Email emma.hull@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
SEO and Marketing Gurus
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Red Ant
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Red Ant
Email jobs@redantdesign.com

MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER

JOB TITLE:
Car Cleaner
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Driver
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
For local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
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JOB TITLE:
Estimator
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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JOB TITLE:
Forecourt Cleaner/Driver
LOCATION:
Rainham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Greens Motor Group
We are currently looking for a forecourt cleaner/driver to be based at our Holborough Branch. This will be a full time position 8.30 to 5.30 Monday to Friday. Enthusiasm, reliability and drive needed. Full UK clean driving licence needed. In all instances, please forward your C.V. to Maria Nottage at the address Greens Motor Group,London Road,Rainham,Kent ME8 8PT.
TO APPLY:
Maria Nottage
Greens Motor Group
Email
marianottage@greensofrainham.com

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TO APPLY:
Maria Nottage
Greens Motor Group
Email
marianottage@greensofrainham.com

JOB TITLE:
Night Drivers
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£9.70 per hour
COMPANY:
Group 4 Securicor
To join a world-leading security organisation. Duties will include driving your crew, replenishing ATMs and delivering cash or valuables directly to customers. Training is provided and you must have been a fully licensed driver with C1 for at least the last three years and able to present a 10 year verifiable history. Shifts will start at 15:00. Benefits include five weeks' paid holiday, pension scheme, health checks and uniform. Please call our recruitment hotline on 08712 107916, lines are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Or you can email recruitment@uk.g4s.com.
TO APPLY:
Group 4 Securicor
Tel: 08712 107916
Email recruitment@uk.g4s.com

JOB TITLE:
Painters
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair centre. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Panel Beater
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Prepper
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Mechanic
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Elmside Skoda
Due to continued expansion Elmside Skoda are looking to recruit a fully qualified mechanic. The person is required to have approx 5 years experience and would be based in Beckenham. Please send cv and covering letter to Amer Hallaq 35-37 Upper Elmers End Road Beckenham BR3 3QY
TO APPLY:
Amer Hallaq Elmside Skoda
Tel: 020 8289 1843
Email amer.hallaq@elmsideskoda.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Stripper/Fitter
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Required for local accident repair business. Apply by CV or call for interview.
TO APPLY:
Paul Goddard/Gary Gregory
Ransoms Motors Ltd
Tel: 01795 842513
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Taxi Drivers
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
A2 Cabs Ltd
Full & part time taxi drivers required.
TO APPLY:
Elaine
A2 Cabs Ltd
Tel: 01795 431500
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

NOT FOR PROFIT, CHARITIES

JOB TITLE:
Caretaker/General Duties
LOCATION:
West Malling
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Seeker's Trust (The)
We are a small charity with our focus on healing situated at Addington, near West Malling. Due to changes within the Trust we are now looking for a Caretaker/General Duties, may suit active couple. Hours flexible. Accommodation available. For further information please phone or email us.
TO APPLY:
Josef Schmied
Seeker's Trust (The)
Tel: 01732 843589
Email trustees@theseekerstrust.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Warehouse Manager
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Demelza House
Demelza has an expanding number of Charity Shops to raise income to support our vital work for children with life limited conditions. We are opening a Warehouse in Sittingbourne to ensure our donated and new goods are processed to get the optimum and quickest monetary return. Are you experienced in retail, preferably within the charity sector, highly organised with attention to detail, able to keep accurate and clear written records, experienced in distribution of goods, an experienced line manager - able to get the best out of people and use their strength, a first class team player? Operating the Warehouse with volunteers you will work 8.30am – 4.30pm, Monday to Friday;give the drivers the most cost effective route; and ensure each shop has adequate supplies of appropriate stock. Interview date 31st October 2007. For an informal chat please call Claire Jordan on the number below.
TO APPLY:
Claire Jordan
Demelza House
Tel: 01795 845202
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

NURSING, MEDICINE, CARE WORK

JOB TITLE:
Care Assistants
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Nellsar Ltd
Beckenham, Dartford, Deal, Maidstone, Sittingbourne, Staplehurst - Nellsar Care Homes is a family owned and managed independent company, committed to achieving the highest standards of professional care and service for those in need of residential and nursing care in the community. We currently operate 10 successful and well established homes within the Kent area & are always looking for enthusiastic & committed individuals to join our team. If you have any relevant experience in caring for the elderly (NVQ 2/3) or are looking to start a career within this field, please contact Sarah.
TO APPLY:
Sarah
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 07932 630 901
Email sarahragumoorthy@gmail.com

JOB TITLE:
Cooks
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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TO APPLY:
Sarah
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 07932 630 901
Email sarahragumoorthy@gmail.com

JOB TITLE:
Domestic Cleaners
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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TO APPLY:
Sarah
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 07932 630 901
Email sarahragumoorthy@gmail.com

JOB TITLE:
Experienced / Qualified Dental Nurse
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Marden Dental Surgery
Experienced / Qualified Dental Nurse required for Immediate Start. Good rates of pay. Please call us or visit our website ww.mardendentalsurgery.com.
TO APPLY:
Nicola Verral
Marden Dental Surgery
Tel: 01622 831556 or 07860 560051
Email info@mardendentalsurgery.com

JOB TITLE:
Laundry Assistant
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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TO APPLY:
Sarah
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 07932 630 901
Email sarahragumoorthy@gmail.com

JOB TITLE:
Minority & Ethnic Carers Support Worker
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
£20,842 per annum
COMPANY:
Medway Carers Centre
37 Hours per week (Funded for 5 years – 10 hours funding to be secured years 2-5) The post holder will have a key role in developing the existing service for unpaid carers at the Medway Carers Centre and will contribute to ensuring our services are accessible and relevant to the needs of users and community groups from minority and ethnic backgrounds; both individually and in groups. To identify new unpaid carers from the minority and ethnic communities in Medway; as well as develop new partnerships in delivering support to this group. Any person applying for this post will need to speak & understand Punjabi and Hindi. The Princess Royal Trust Medway Carers Centre is committed to Equal Opportunities. For more information please contact us.For an information pack please contact Bobbie Taiano, Centre Manager on 01634 577340 or write to The Princess Royal Trust, Medway Carers Centre, 3 Canterbury Street, Gillingham, Kent ME7 5TP.
TO APPLY:
Bobbie Taiano
Medway Carers Centre
Tel: 01634 577340
Email Medwaycarers@aol.com
CLOSING DATE 26TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Senior Carers
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Nellsar Ltd
Beckenham, Dartford, Deal, Maidstone, Sittingbourne, Staplehurst - Nellsar Care Homes is a family owned and managed independent company, committed to achieving the highest standards of professional care and service for those in need of residential and nursing care in the community. We currently operate 10 successful and well established homes within the Kent area & are always looking for enthusiastic & committed individuals to join our team. If you have any relevant experience in caring for the elderly (NVQ 2/3) or are looking to start a career within this field, then please call Sarah.
TO APPLY:
Sarah
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 07932 630 901
Email sarahragumoorthy@gmail.com

JOB TITLE:
Senior Support Worker
LOCATION:
Sheerness
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Alma Lodge
35 Hours a week, CRB required.
TO APPLY:
Nicola or Christine
Alma Lodge
Tel: 01795 669 824
Email philip.pinagapany@almalodge.biz

JOB TITLE:
Support Worker Paddock Wood
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
£15,760-£16,603
COMPANY:
MCCH
Robert is a 31 year old man with autism who currently lives on his own and is looking for enthusiastic, patient and caring people to support him to get the most out of life. As a support worker you don't need any specific experience as you would be joining an experienced team who will support you to develop your skills. It is important that you can work as a team member in order to help Robert live his life and make sense of the world around him as sometimes this world creates difficulties for Robert resulting in him presenting with behaviours often felt difficult and challenging to deal with. In veiew of this mcch will provide yu with the training to equip you with the skills you will need. You willneed to be confident, understanding and a good communicator with the ability to stay calm when supporting Robert. In addition to working with Robert you may also be given the opportunity to work in the community supporting people in other services within mcch. Whether its supporting someone to do their shopping, find a job or many of the other things we all like to do you will be helping others become part of the community and lead a fuller, more stimulating life.
TO APPLY:
Joan Pearce
MCCH
Tel: 01622 769164
Email j.pearce@mcch.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Support Worker Canterbury
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
£13,601-£15,223
COMPANY:
MCCH
Support Worker required 37hrs per week to join professional team in Canterbury to provide support to adults with physical and learning disabilities. Full training provided. Call 01622 769109 quoting reference number 167/KOS for application pack. Contact Janet on 01227 768845 for further information. Closing date 5th October 2007 and interview date 23rd October 2007. All appointments subject to Criminal Records Disclosure.
TO APPLY:
Joan Pearce
MCCH
Tel: 01622 769109
Email j.pearce@mcch.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Trainee Ambulance Technician
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
up to £25K (including shift allowance)
COMPANY:
South Coast Ambulance Service NHS Trust
On completion of the initial 11 week training course, your total earnings will be Circa £20,000, which includes a shift allowance of up to 25%. Surrey-based staff and Thames Gateway locations in Kent willalso attract a 5% High Cost Area Allowance (min £846). Based: Various Ambulance Stations in Kent, Sussex and Surrey Join our innovative and high performing organisation and embark on an exciting clinical career pathway which could lead to Paramedic status and beyond. You will be part of providing the very best clinical care to the people of Kent, Surrey and Sussex. To succeed in this role, you will have a genuine desire to serve the community and be able to demonstrate excellent communication skills, be customer focused with a caring and sympathetic nature, have the ability to use initiative and apply commonsense and remain calm when under pressure. You will also need as a minimum: • Stable employment and attendance record • Minimum of four GCSE's Grade C or above (or equivalent), including English, Maths and Science • Full, current Driving Licence, held for at least one year, with no more than 3 penalty points. • Physically fit and able to pass an Occupational Specific Fitness Test and Occupational Medical to PCV standards. Our benefits package includes a generous holiday entitlement and membership of the NHS Pension Scheme, free uniform and an excellent support network to include Counselling and Occupational Health Services as an on going commitment to the well being and welfare of our staff.
TO APPLY:
Recruitment Line
South Coast Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Tel: 01737 363529
Email recruitment@secamb.nhs.uk
CLOSING DATE 26TH OCTOBER 2007

PRINT, PACKAGING, DISTRIBUTION

JOB TITLE:
Distributors Wanted
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Deya Ltd
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TO APPLY:
Deya Ltd
Tel: FREEPHONE 0800 298 7101
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

PUBLIC SECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES

JOB TITLE:
14 - 19 Consultant: Progression and Partnerships
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£40,104 - £42,219 per annum
COMPANY:
Medway Council
TO APPLY:
Keith Morrison
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 338547
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 8 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Admin/Debt Management Officer
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £13,000 - £16,000 per annum
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Working in a small team, you will provide administrative and financial support services. Duties will include opening the post, data input, filing, the production of standard letters and similar administrative functions. You will have good telephone and customer service skills, a good working knowledge of Microsoft word and excel and some practical administrative experience. The ability to deal with difficult customers and some knowledge of the parking industry would be advantageous. You will be required to attend a short skills assessment as part of the selection process.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Advanced Skills Teacher
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
AST scale
COMPANY:
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
The Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School AST (Mathematics)
TO APPLY:
Anthony Williams
Hundred of Hoo Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 251443
Email crutk001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 8 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Anti Social Behaviour Assistant
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
£18,450 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Fixed term contract until March 2009. We are looking for a committed individual to join our Anti Social Behaviour Group. You will support the Anti Social Behaviour Co-ordinator in the investigation and solution of community safety incidents and complaints – these include playing a central role in case file management investigation, assisting partnership agencies to tackle the fear of anti social behaviour and engaging with communities to resolve incidents of anti social behaviour. This is a high profile and challenging position and you will need to be an excellent communicator with good organisation skills and have the ability to work on your own initiative. You will need good people skills as you will work with local residents and will promote community involvement. Knowledge and relevant experience in the field of community

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safety, law enforcement work or related professional activity and working in/with the community is essential.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 337000
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Business Studies Coordinator
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS/UPS + TLR2C
COMPANY:
New Brompton College
TO APPLY:
Sue Moss - New Brompton College
Tel: 01634 852341
Email suemoss@nbc.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE 9 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
CCTV Operator
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £13,000 - £14,500 per annum + 7.5% shift allowance
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
We are looking for people to provide high quality, efficient and effective CCTV control services. You will contribute to the achievement of CCTV team objectives which include deterring and detecting crime, increasing personal safety, reducing fear of crime and protecting private and public property. Often working in pressurised situations you will be quick thinking and articulate, with good communication skills. You will also have the ability to work alone or part of a team. Appropriate experience of working in a CCTV control room or previous security surveillance experience is desirable although not essential as training will be provided. You will be required to work within an established shift system which includes some unsocial hours and weekend working.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Contracts Supervisor
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572 with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Due to the retirement of one of our Contract Supervisors, we are now looking to recruit to this post. If you have good working experience in the waste industry and an interest in contract management, then this could be the job for you. Across Kent there are 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres, which are operated by private sector contractors on behalf of KCC. In addition we have a variety of contracts providing a range of Waste Management services. Monitoring and supervising these contracts, you will need to demonstrate that you have experience in operating waste facilities, managing Contractors and resolving performance management issues. You should have good customer care skills in order to deal with enquiries or complaints received from members of the public. To support these skills, you will need to have good administrative abilities, as well as, a good working knowledge of standard Microsoft IT packages. A qualification in Waste Management is essential.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 26 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Contracts Supervisor (Projects)
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
Starting salary £22,268,with progression through contribution related pay to £25,521 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
The management of the 18 Household Waste Recycling Centres across Kent is a continuous job. The upgrading of these Centres is important to increase the range of recyclable materials as well as improve layout and ease of use for the people of Kent. It's our aim to increase the amounts of recycling in Kent, and we need good people to assist in making this happen. You will oversee building and civil engineering projects, ranging from repairs and maintenance to full scale refurbishment schemes. In addition, the role would include the supervision of the private sector contractors who deliver waste services on behalf of the Council. With experience in delivering a variety of works from concept to completion, you will have an awareness of the Waste Management industry and be willing to work occasional evenings and weekends. In return for your commitment to our service, we offer a good team to work with, a competitive salary, plus numerous benefits.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 26 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Education Welfare Officer
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
Starting salary £19,572 with progression through contribution related pay to £22,268 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Working with schools, families and pupils promoting regular school attendance, you will have the ability to work independently as well as being a good team member and will receive in service training, regular supervision, and team support. The ability to travel is essential as visiting schools and homes are essential to the work. Essential car user allowance is payable.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 22 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Environmental Services - Street Scene Officer x 2
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
£17,136 - £21,426
COMPANY:
Swale Borough Council
We are looking to appoint two Street Scene Officers; one full time (37 hours) and one part time (18.5 hours) working two and a half days per week, to be agreed. The Council have recently appointed new contractors for the key public cleansing functions of recycling, refuse collection, street cleaning and public conveniences. In this year's General Survey public satisfaction with the cleanliness of public spaces has risen from 54% 3 years ago to 70% this year, and the Council's draft Corporate Plan has Creating a Cleaner and Greener Swale as a top objective. The Council have also endorsed Objective 14 of the Kent Agreement for a Clean Kent. This is an area that we have strong ambitions for and if you believe you have the attitude, skills and experience we need, we'd like to hear from you. You will be responsible for street scene standards in the borough and will need to work closely with our contractors and other key stakeholders. You will be based within the Cleansing Team of Environmental Services. We are seeking individuals educated to GCSE standard with 5 A-C passes, a full driving licence, communications and IT skills, but above all a passion for improving Swale's street scene. Previous contract management/monitoring and local government experience is desirable but not necessary. In addition to salary, we can offer you a generous annual leave allowance, paid bank holidays, Local Government final salary pension scheme and flexi-time working. We welcome applications for flexible working arrangements and please indicate on the application form which post you are interested in. For further information contact Human Resources, Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 3HT. Telephone Sittingbourne (01795) 417414 (24 hour voice mail) quoting reference 202ES1.E-Mail: hr@swale.gov.uk Website: http://jobs.swale.gov.uk Interviews: w/c 29 October 2007
TO APPLY:
Swale Borough Council
Tel: 01795 417414
Email hr@swale.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE : 22 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Helpline and Information Officer
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£17,842 with progression through contribution related pay to £19,572 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
You will support carers and parents to access the various sources available, to enable the communication to start and make good relationships flourish. Enthusiastic and resourceful, you will join a team operating a service that provides parents and carers with advice, support and information about children with additional or special educational needs. As an effective communicator, with experience of working in a pressurised environment, you will have the ability to listen and analyse, whilst remaining impartial and non-judgmental at all times. Excellent research and writing skills, and knowledge of MS software is essential. Providing advice, support and information on the phone, face to face and through leaflets, newsletters and bulletins, you must have superb communication and IT skills. An understanding of the issues relating to children and the families of children with special and additional educational needs is also essential. In return, you will receive support, excellent staff benefits and development opportunities.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Tel: 0845 8247 904
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE MIDDAY 22 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Joint Independent Remuneration Panel Members
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council
Sevenoaks District Council, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council and Tunbridge Wells Borough Council operate a Joint Independent Remuneration Panel with responsibility for making recommendations on the amounts Councillors should be paid in allowances. There are four vacancies for Panel members. The Panel has Government guidance and information from each of the Councils to enable it to form a judgement and make recommendations on a scheme of allowances to fit the circumstances of each individual authority. Panel members are paid an annual retainer plus an hourly rate for time spent on Panel business. Applications are invited from members of the public, the business community and the voluntary sector interested in serving on the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel. You must live within one of the districts that the Panel serves, be able to demonstrate a high degree of personal integrity and be able to attend a number of evening meetings during the course of the year. You must not be a member or employee of any of the three authorities served by the panel. If you are connected with a voluntary organisation it must not receive any financial support from any of the Councils. For an informal discussion on the role of the Panel please telephone David Hughes on 01732 876022. For an application pack, please email to personnel.services@tmbc.gov.uk or telephone the 24 hour Recruitment Answerphone on 01732 876011. Interview date: 22 October 2007.
TO APPLY:
David Hughes
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council
Tel: 01732 876022
Email personnel.services@tmbc.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 12 OCTOBER 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Mobile Office/ Public Convenience Cleaner
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£14,664 p.a. to £17,874 p.a. rising to £18,972 p.a.plus a final salary contributory pension scheme
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Your duties will involve the daily cleaning of offices and public conveniences to a specified standard. This will include WC's, basins & urinals, as well as walls, floors, ceilings etc and the removal of graffiti. You will also be expected to restock the facilities with toilet rolls, soap, paper towels etc and be required to record faults and problems and report these to a Supervisor. You will have use of a Council van to carry out your duties, therefore you must be able to drive and hold a full, clean UK driving licence.You will be part of a team, but will work independently, and will therefore be reliable and responsible with a flexible approach and able to use initiative.You will be committed to customer care and delivering a quality service. You will be expected to work on a rota basis which includes early and late shifts including Saturday and Sunday working, with split shifts to maintain daily cleaning standards. Basic working hours are 37 hours per week with overtime or fixed rate payments for hours worked in excess of this. Although not essential, knowledge of Hygiene Best Practice and COSHH regulations would be desirable.
For an informal discussion about these posts please contact John Cox, Cleansing Manager on 01959 567375
Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme and excellent training and development opportunities. To apply on-line please visit our website @ www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/jobs
You may also contact the Human Resources Team for an information pack and application form.
Interviews will be held w/c 22nd October 2007.
TO APPLY:
John Cox
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567375
Email
human.resources@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 15 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
P.E. / Games Subject Leader
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main/Upper Scale + TLR 2C
COMPANY:
Balfour Junior School
TO APPLY:
Paul Bell
Balfour Junior School
Tel: 01634 843833
Email elkig001@medway.org.uk
CLOSING DATE 11 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Parking Attendant
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £14,500 - £16,000 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
1 full-time post, 37 hours per week 1 part-time post, 22 hours per week. You will be responsible for enforcing traffic and parking regulations and issuing Penalty Charge Notices. In addition, your duties will include observing and reporting vehicles without valid vehicle licences (tax), assisting the public with minor enquiries, reporting/checking signs and markings, providing witness statements and liaising with the police. Some administrative work is also involved. You will have good communication skills and the ability to deal calmly and professionally with difficult situations. Previous experience in parking enforcement is desirable, although not essential as full training will be given. This is a uniformed outdoor role which will include working in all weathers. You will be required to work over 7 days, on a rota basis including early starts and late finishes.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 33 70 00
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Public Convenience Chargehand
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£16,659 p.a. to £21,417 p.a. rising to £22,815 pwith exceptional performance (pay award pending).a.
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
You will be required to assist the Cleansing Manager and Street Cleansing Manager in the day to day management of the Mobile Office/Public Convenience Cleaners to ensure all relevant offices and conveniences are cleaned to the required frequencies and standards, 7 days a week. You will organise workloads and monitor performance and undertake cleaning as necessary to assist the cleaners in achieving their scheduled tasks. You must be well motivated, reliable and responsible and committed to quality and customer care. Previous supervisory experience and experience in the use of cleaning materials is also essential. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme and excellent training and development opportunities. Interviews will be held w/c 22nd October 2007
TO APPLY:
John Cox
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567375
Email
human.resources@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 15TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Refuse Loader/Driver x 3 posts
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£16,659 p.a. to £21,417 p.a. rising to £22,815 p.a.
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Exceptional performance (pay award pending) plus a final salary contributory pension scheme. Starting at 7 a.m. you will take responsibility for a vehicle used in waste collection and assist in the efficient collection of domestic/trade waste throughout the district. You must hold a current LGV driving licence and be capable and proficient at driving vehicles weighing 26 tonne.You must be physically capable of carrying out the duties of the post (e.g. manual handling and loading of refuse sacks and containers) and be prepared to work as part of a team.You must also be able to communicate well with other members of the team and with members of the public. Salary offered includes working up to eight additional Saturdays to cover for Bank Holidays. For an informal discussion about these posts please contact John Cox, Cleansing Manager on 01959 567375. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme and excellent training and development opportunities. To apply on-line please visit our website @ www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/jobs. Interviews will be held w/c 22nd October 2007.
TO APPLY:
John Cox
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567375
Email
human.resources@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Senior Practitioner – Specialist Palliative Care
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
£29,859 – £38,310 per annum
COMPANY:
Medway Council
As a senior practitioner working in the Palliative Care Social Work Team, you will be working alongside the team manager at the Wisdom Hospice, Rochester, in developing and delivering best practice in psychosocial care to service users accessing specialist palliative care. You will work in a small team of specialist social workers and counsellors and carry a complex caseload of people affected by serious illness, death and bereavement. Developing services involving service users is a core aspect of this role. As an advocate for service users who are challenged by a range of end of life issues, you will manage complex ethical dilemmas and practice issues in a multi-professional environment. You will need to demonstrate extensive experience in working therapeutically with people affected by loss and bereavement.You must have excellent supervision and presentation skills and be able to facilitate and support good team-working. In a supportive work environment, you will receive excellent supervision and the opportunity to attend relevant external training programmes. A full driver's licence is essential. All applicants must be registered, or in the process of registering with the GSCC. Any offer of appointment will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau enhanced disclosure. For an informal discussion, please contact Ann McMurray, Social Work Team Manager (Palliative Care) on 01634 830456.
TO APPLY:
Ann McMurray
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 830456
Email jobs@medway.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Street Sweeper/ Driver
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£14,664 p.a. to £17,874 p.a. rising to £18,972 p.a.with exceptional performance (pay award pending)
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
You will be a part of the team maintaining the cleanliness of the streets within the Sevenoaks District Council area. You will need to be physically capable of carrying out the duties of the post, presentable in appearance and prepared to work as part of a team. You will be working a 37 hour week and you must hold a driving licence that allows you to drive a vehicle up to 7.5 tonnes. For an informal discussion about these posts please contact John Cox, Cleansing Manager on 01959 567375. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme and excellent training and development opportunities. Interviews will be held w/c 22nd October 2007.
TO APPLY:
John Cox
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567375
Email
human.resources@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE 15 OCTOBER 2007

JOB TITLE:
Town Warden
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
Circa £14,500 - £18,000 per annum
COMPANY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Acting as the eyes and ears of the Gravesend Town Centre Team, you will provide the day to day link with a wide variety of business and users of the town centre activities to visitors. You will participate in the practical management of the town centre, ensuring that the cleansing and maintenance is carried out by a dedicated task force and from time to time will undertake minor maintenance tasks. You will also participate in town centre safety and security matters and will be responsible for issuing fixed penalty notices under the Cleaner Neighbourhoods and Environments Act to local businesses and members of the public. It is essential that you have some enforcement and/or customer service experience. The ability to work under pressure and to handle difficult and challenging situations in a calm professional manner is also a pre requisite. This is a uniformed post and will involve evenings and weekend working.
TO APPLY:
Gravesham Borough Council
Tel: 01474 337700
Email
customer.services@gravesham.co.uk
CLOSING DATE 19 OCTOBER 2007

RETAIL, WHOLESALE, SALES

JOB TITLE:
Direct Salespeople
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£1,000 per deal and over £80,000 a year
COMPANY:
Protectacoat
Company car, qualified appointments and over 20% commission and bonus.
TO APPLY:
Protectacoat
Tel: 0800 526486
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Direct Salespeople
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£1000 per deal
COMPANY:
Protectacoat
Can earn over £80,000 a year. No competition. Over £1000 earnings per deal. Car, training and qualified appointments supplied. Tel: 0800 526486 or 0800 7836930
TO APPLY:
Protectacoat
Tel: 0800 526486
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Experienced Telesales People
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBA+commission+bonus
COMPANY:
Asset Land Investments Plc
Full and Part time for rapidly expanding company. Based at Ashford or Folkestone offices. Flexible hours to suit.
TO APPLY:
John Pearce
Asset Land Investments Plc
Tel: 0845 6031926 or 07984 542363
Email john@assetplc.com

JOB TITLE:
Furniture and Beds Consultant
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Lenleys
Do you have an interest in furniture and interior design combined with a natural ability to communicate ? We have a vacancy for a furniture consultant, full time inc. Saturdays and some Sundays/Bank holidays. On going product training will be provided to enable you to give the best possible advice needed when offering top quality furniture. You will be working as a member of a team, in which ability is well rewarded and where there is every opportunity for advancement. Some experience of furniture and / or beds would be an advantage. Please send c.v. for the attention of Rob Blockley at Lenleys 25 -34 Roper Road, Canterbury CT2 7EL.
TO APPLY:
Rob Blockley
Lenleys
Email robblockley@lenleys.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Manager
LOCATION:
Canterbury
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Fenwick Ltd
Looking for an exciting career? We have a full time opportunity for an enthusiastic Manager for our Fine Fragrance Department. For this challenging role, you will require sales and customer service skills with a passion for retailing, a professional approach and the ability to lead a sales team. Please send your CV to Marion Hoile, Personnel Manager, Fenwick Limited, St. George's Street, Canterbury, Kent. CT1 2TB or e-mail marionhoile@fenwick.co.uk.
TO APPLY:
Marion Hoile
Fenwick Ltd
Tel: 01227 766866
Email marionhoile@fenwick.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Sales Positions
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
£14k Basic + Commission (£21K OTE uncapped)
COMPANY:
Call Performance Ltd
London Salary without the commute! Work/life balance - Get your life back while earning fantastic money!!! Amazing incentives including trips abroad, top earners earn up to £50K. Call Performance have exciting opportunities at the Gravesend office, for highly motivated individuals who want to succeed in a corporate sales environment. We have developed a strong working relationship with our client Pitney Bowes and you will become part of the successful team working on their business. You will need to achieve a personal deal target calling new businesses on behalf of the client. Full training, data and back up is provided by Pitney Bowes. To be successful in this role it is essential that you have strong communication skills and the drive to succeed in a target driven environment. We offer ongoing career prospects to all employees and a great working environment. To apply please email or call us.
TO APPLY:
Call Performance Ltd
Tel: 01474 574347 or 01474 574367
Email sales@callperformance.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Telesales/Customer Service Advisor
LOCATION:
Hythe
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
JVD Property
Required for estate agents in Hythe for 3 hours per day, flexible hours to suit.
TO APPLY:
Mark Gidalla
JVD Property
Tel: 01303 268488
Email mark@jvdproperty.com

SCIENTIFIC & PHARMACEUTICAL, RESEARCH

JOB TITLE:
Radiochemistry Assistant
LOCATION:
Lydd
SALARY:
£21-28k
COMPANY:
BNG Magnox Generation
Key duties include; providing specialist radiochemistry and analytical support, conducting routine radiochemical testing, identifying anomalies, identifying abnormal trends and performing radiological monitoring tasks. Applicants should have an understanding of chemical and radiochemical analytical and safe handling techniques, practical knowledge of legislative requirements and the dosimetry aspects of radiological protection, however training will be provided if necessary. Benefits include competitive salary, generous holiday entitlement, employee bonus scheme, four day 37 hour working week (excluding Shift workers) and pension scheme. CV's without a completed application form will not be accepted. Please note that all salaries quoted are dependent on qualifications and experience.
TO APPLY:
Claire Morris
BNG Magnox Generation
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CLOSING DATE 1PM 11TH OCTOBER 2007

TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS, AVIATION

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SALARY:
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JOB TITLE:
Purchasing & Warranty Controller
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
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TO APPLY:
Anne Phillips
Arriva Southern Counties
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Highways - Borough of Ashford

(Notice of the intention to make a Traffic Order)

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
VARIOUS ROADS, ASHFORD
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14
Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Order

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, Kent County Council intends to make an Order vehicular traffic travelling on the routes described in column1 and 2 of the Schedule below. It is anticipated that each affected route will be closed for as short a period of time as possible and between the hours indicated in column 4 or until completion of works or for a maximum period of eighteen months. The alternative routes for diverted traffic are listed in column 3. This Order will come into force on or after Monday 22nd October 2007

SCHEDULE 1

1. Specified Road	2. Length of Affected Road	3. Diversion Route	4. Length of Road Affected
WYE- A28 Canterbury Road including its junctions with Harville Road and Wye Road	From its junction with Bramble Lane to its junction with Ball Lane	A28 Canterbury Rd, Boughton Aluph/Ashford Rd, Godmersham, A252 Canterbury Rd, Chilham /The Street, Molash/ Canterbury Rd, Challock A251 Buck Street, Challock/ Faversham Rd, Challock/ Faversham Rd, Boughton Aluph/ Faversham Rd, Ashford, A28 Canterbury Rd, Ashford	3 Nights (1900-0700)
BIDDENDEN – A274 North St. From its junction with A262 High Street to its junction with Smarden Road	A262 High Street, Biddenden/ Sissinghurst Road, Biddenden, Hareplain Road, Biddenden		2 Nights (1900-0700)
ASHFORD - Beaver Road From its junction with Christchurch Road to its junction with Romney marsh Road	Beaver Road, Norman Road, A2042 Romney Marsh Road		2 Nights (1900-0700)

The Order will only be effective when the appropriate signs are displayed. Advance signing of the intended closure date will be displayed on the roads due for closure.

Order to be made with the approval of Director of Environment & Regeneration,

Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS ASHFORD)
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND STREET PARKING PLACES)
(AMENDMENT No. 4) ORDER 2007
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2, 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to make an Order, the effect of which would be to install 'at any time' waiting restrictions in the lengths of road described in the Schedule hereto.

A copy of the proposed Order together with explanatory statements, maps showing the extent of the restrictions and lengths of roads concerned may be inspected during normal office / opening hours at the offices of the Customer Contact Centre, Ashford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane Ashford, Kent, TN23 1PL, or at the offices of Kent County Council, Transportation Team, Doubleday House, St. Michael's Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU.

Any persons wishing to support the new proposal, or to object to it, should write to Carl Read, Kent Highway Services, Mid Kent Division, Doubleday House, St. Michael's Close, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BU quoting the name of the Order and stating their reasons, by no later than 29th October 2007.

THE SCHEDULE

Lengths of Road at Wye in the Borough of Ashford

Bridge Street (1) North east side
(a) from a point 3 metres south east of a point directly opposite the north western wall of 'The Granary' south eastward to the junction with Churchfield Way.
(b) from a point 2.6 metres north west of the north western property boundary of No 25 north westward to the junction of Churchfield Way.
(2) South west side
(a) from the north western kerb line of Dennes Mill Close north westward to a point 3 metres south east of the north western wall of 'The Granary'.
(b) from the south eastern kerb line of Dennes Mill Close south eastward to a point opposite the north western property boundary of No 24.

Dennes Mill Close On both sides from the junction with Bridge Street for a distance of 10 metres in a south westerly direction.

Churchfield Way (1) On the north west side from a point 79 metres north east of the north eastern kerb line of Bridge Street for a distance of 42 metres
(2) On the north east side between the junctions of Abbots walk and The Forstal.
(3) On the south east side from the junction with Bridge Street to a point 2 metres north west of the property boundary between No 32 and 'Whiteways'.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(SWAN LANE, LITTLE CHART)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Swan Lane, Little Chart from junction of West Street on or after 24 October 2007 for an estimated period of up to 1 night or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for northbound traffic via Swan Lane, Pluckley Road, towards Hurstford Lane and West Street and for southbound traffic vice versa.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for gully cleaning. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Nicola Webb of A-Plant Lux Traffic Control & Management on 01666 822000.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(CANTERBURY ROAD, ASHFORD)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Canterbury Road, Ashford from junction of Queens Road to the junction of Magazine Road on or after 8 October 2007 for an estimated period of up to 1 night or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for northbound traffic via A292 Somerset Road, A292 Elwick Road, A292 West Street and A28 Magazine Road and for southbound traffic vice versa.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for gully cleaning. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Nicola Webb of A-Plant Lux Traffic Control & Management on 01666 822000.

Highways - District of Thanet

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(ALL SAINTS AVENUE, MARGATE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because heavy lifting works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on All Saints Avenue, Margate from the roundabout to the railway bridge on or after 8 October 2007 for an estimated period of one day or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be Westbound via Canterbury Road, Hartsdown Road and All Saints Avenue. Eastbound via Marine Terrace, Belgrave Road, Eaton Road, Tivoli Road, Beatrice Road, College Road, Tivoli Road and Tivoli Park Avenue.

Highways - District of Dover

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(STRAND STREET, SANDWICH)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because property restoration works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Strand Street, Sandwich outside the property known as Harfleet House on or after 22 October 2007, for an estimated period of two weeks or until such works are complete.

A signed diversion route will be in operation for the duration of the works.

The existing one way traffic order on Strand Street, between the junction with Potter Street and the junction with High Street, will be suspended for the duration of this closure.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(CHERRY WAYE, EYTHORNE, DOVER)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because electricity supply works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Cherry Waye, Eythorne, Dover from the junction with Palm Tree Close to the junction with Rose Gardens on or after 22 October 2007 for an estimated period of one week or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Willow Waye.

Highways - City of Canterbury

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(A28 STURRY ROAD AND VARIOUS SIDE ROADS, CANTERBURY)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto. The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule is described in Column 2 and at durations as indicated in Column 3 of that Schedule on or after 8th October 2007 for an estimated period of eight weeks or until such works are complete, or for a period not exceeding 18 months, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

THE SCHEDULE

Column 1 The affected route	Column 2 The alternative route	Column 3 Duration of road closure
1. A28 Sturry Road, Canterbury From its junction with Brymore Road to its roundabout with Retail Outlets	1. A28 Sturry Road, Kingsmead Road, Broad Oak Road, Vauxhall Road, A28 Sturry Road	As required overnight between 2000hrs and 0600hrs for an estimated 4 nights
2. Parham Road, Canterbury At its junction with A28 Sturry Road	2. A28 Sturry Road, Kingsmead Road, Broad Oak Road, Vauxhall Road, A28 Sturry Road	As required overnight between 2000hrs and 0600hrs for an estimated 4 nights
3. Riverdale Road, Canterbury At its junction with A28 Sturry Road	3. A28 Sturry Road, Kingsmead Road, Broad Oak Road, Vauxhall Road, A28 Sturry Road	As required overnight between 2000hrs and 0600hrs for an estimated 4 nights
4. Old Park Avenue, Canterbury At its junction with A28 Sturry Road	4. A28 Sturry Road, South Street, Old Park Avenue	As required off peak hours only

Date: 7th October 2007

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(STOUR STREET, CANTERBURY)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because various utility works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Stour Street, Canterbury from the junction with Rosemary Lane to the junction with Hospital Lane, on or after 8 October 2007 for an estimated period of one week or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Rosemary Lane, Castle Street, Castle Row, Pin Hill, Rhodaus Town, Watling Street and Beer Cart Lane

Highways - Borough of Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(FAVERSHAM ROAD, LENHAM)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Faversham Road, Lenham from the junction of A20 Ashford Road to the junction of Flint Lane between the times of 0930hrs to 1530hrs on or after Monday 22nd October 2007 when required for a period of up to 4 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for southbound traffic via The Street, Faversham Road, A2 London Road, A251 Ashford Road, Faversham Road, A252 Canterbury Road, Charing Hill, A20 Maidstone Road, Ashford Road and for northbound traffic vice versa.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for tree cutting in the area. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Nicola Webb of A Plant Lux Traffic Control on 01666 822000.

Highways - Borough of Shepway

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(MARTEN ROAD, FOLKESTONE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because sewer utility works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Marten Road, Folkestone from the junction with Shorncliffe Road to the junction with Broadfield Road on or after 22 October 2007 for an estimated period of eight weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Marten Road, Broadfield Road, Ravenlea Road and Shorncliffe Road.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(ASHLEY AVENUE, FOLKESTONE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Ashley Avenue, Folkestone, from its junction with Cheriton High Street to its junction with the access road to the All Souls' Church Vicarage on or after 22nd October 2007 for an estimated period of four weeks, or until such junction improvement works are complete, or for a period not exceeding 18 months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Cheriton High Street, Somerset Road, Shaftesbury Avenue and Ashley Avenue.

Date: 7th October 2007

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

Kent Highway Services

Highways - District of Shepway

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(BOUVERIE SQUARE AND VARIOUS ROADS, FOLKESTONE)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because carriageway resurfacing works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Bouverie Square and Various Roads, Folkestone as described in column 2 of the Schedule to this Order on or after 7 October 2007 for an estimated period of one day or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be as described in column 3 of the Schedule to this Order.

THE SCHEDULE

Specified Road	Length of road affected	Alternative routes	Programmed date
Bouverie Square and Bouverie Place, Folkestone	West Terrace, except for buses and local access	West Terrace, The Leas, Langhorne Gardens, Castle Hill Avenue and Bouverie Road West	7 October 2007 for one day
Cheriton Place, Folkestone	At the junction with Bouverie Road West	A signed diversion route will be in place for the duration of the closure	7 October 2007 for one day
Bouverie Road West, Folkestone	From the junction with Middleburg Square for a distance of approximately 50 metres in a west-bound direction only	Middelburg Square, Cheriton Gardens, Shorncliffe Road, Castle Hill Avenue and Bouverie Road	7 October 2007 for one day

Highways - Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
WOULDHAM ROAD AND KNOWLE ROAD, WOULDHAM
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Wouldham Road, Wouldham between its junction with School Lane and a point 400m south of the access to Starkeys, and Knowle Road, Wouldham between its junction with Cornwall Crescent Green and 100m east of the junction of Knowle Road and Hall Road.

The Order will become effective on 8th October 2007, for up to two weeks per section, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via:

Wouldham Road – Wouldham Road, Burham Road, Pilgrims Way, School Lane, Rochester Road and Wouldham Road.

Knowle Road – Pilgrims Way, School Lane, High Street, Knowle Road.

These Diversions are reversible.

The purpose of the closures is to facilitate traffic calming works and associated road markings by Kent Highway Services.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
A228 SNODLAND BYPASS (SELECTED SLIP ROADS ONLY)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on A228 Snodland Bypass, details as listed in the attached schedule.

The Order will become effective on 8th October 2007, for up to a total of eight weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the routes described will be as signed on site.

The purpose of the closures is to facilitate remedial works.

Schedule 1

Road Name	Length Affected
A228 Snodland Bypass	Right turn slip at junction with Holborough Road (Northbound)
Holborough Road	Junction with A228 Snodland bypass (Slip On)
Holborough Road	Junction with A228 Snodland bypass (Slip Off)
A228 Snodland Bypass	Sortmill Road Slip on (Southbound)

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
SANDY LANE, IGHTHAM
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS)
ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Sandy Lane, Ightham between its junctions with Coach Road and Common Road.

The Order will become effective on 8th October 2007, for up to five days, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be via: Common Road, Ismays Road and Coach Road.

The purpose of the closures is to facilitate repairs on defective drainage pipework.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
VARIOUS ROADS, ST MARYS PLATT
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on various roads as per Schedule 1.

The Order will become effective on 8th October 2007, for up to four days per section, or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative routes for the route described above will be as noted in the schedule.

The purpose of the closures is to install traffic management and implement the associated lining works.

Schedule 1.

Road Name	Diversion Route
Long Mill Lane – from A25 Maidstone Road to Grange Road	A25 Maidstone Road and Grange Road
Comp Lane – from Potash Lane to Long Mill Lane	Potash Lane and Long Mill Lane
Comp Lane – from Potash Lane to Beechin Wood Lane	Windmill Hill, A25 Maidstone Road, Long Mill Lane
Boneash Lane – From Potash Lane to Beechin Wood Lane	Comp Lane, Beechin Wood Lane
Potash Lane – from Long Mill Lane to Beechin Wood Lane	Comp Lane, Beechin Wood Lane

Please Note: These Roads will not all be closed at the same time.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee, Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

The Insolvency Act 1986
KANKOOL AIRCONDITIONING LIMITED
(Company Number 05452216)

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Langley House, Park Road, East Finchley, London N2 8EX, on 16 October 2007, at 12.00 noon, for the purposes provided for in Sections 99 and 101 of the Act. Creditors wishing to vote at the Meeting must lodge their proxy, together with a statement of claim, at the offices of Langley Group LLP, Langley House, Park Road, London N2 8EX, not later than 12.00 noon on the business day preceding that of the meeting of creditors. The proxy form and statement may be posted or sent by fax to 020 8444 3400.
Secured Creditors may only vote for the balance of the debt which will not be recovered by enforcement of the security, unless right to enforce is waived.
A list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors will be available for inspection, free of charge, at the offices of Langley Group LLP on the two business days preceding that of the Meeting of Creditors between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm. If no Liquidation Committee is formed, a Resolution may be taken specifying the terms on which the Liquidator is to be remunerated.
The Meeting will receive information about, or be called upon to approve, the costs of preparing the statement of affairs and convening the Meeting.
Dated: 25 September 2007
Francis Thompsett, Director

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APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE

Notice is hereby given that we Kings Hill Parish Council, have applied to Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council for variation of a premises licence in respect of the premises known as Kings Hill Community Centre and situated at 70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent. ME19 4LG in respect of the following licensable activities: -
* Sale of Alcohol
* Provision of Regulated Entertainment
* Provision of Late Night Refreshment
The application can be viewed at the offices of Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent. ME19 4LZ during normal office hours. www.tmbc.gov.uk
Any representations from interested parties or responsibly authorities must be made in writing to the above local authority, clearly stating the grounds upon which representation is made relevant to the Licensing Act by 26th October 2007
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine, level 5 on the standard scale, is a maximum of £5,000 for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence.
Stephen Thomas LAW
8 Grassmere, Leybourne, West Malling, Kent ME19 5QP
Authorised Agents on and behalf of the applicant.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **The Blue Pigeons Inn, The Street, Worth, Nr Sandwich**
Applicant: **Lesley Sparkes**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

Martin Alford, Head of Registration
First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall
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KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004
APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant a renewal of an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **The Rose and Crown Hotel, 125 High Street, Tonbridge**
Applicant: **Richard King**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the renewal of the grant of approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

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Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council
Members' Code of Conduct

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 51(6) of the Local Government Act 2000 that on 25 September 2007 the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council adopted a new code of conduct for members. Copies of the code are available for inspection free of charge at the council's offices at Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, and Tonbridge Castle, Castle Street, Tonbridge, during normal office hours.
Notice is also given pursuant to section 81(7) of the Act that the register of interests of the members and co-opted members of the authority and its committees is available for inspection free of charge at the office of the Council's Monitoring Officer at Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, during normal office hours.

KENT SUPPLY SERVICES LIMITED
(Company Number 05089475)

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Nexus House, 2 Cray Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 5DB, on 10 October 2007, at 11.00 am, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Proxy forms to be used for the purposes of the above Meeting must be lodged, accompanied by statements of claim, at the registered office of the Company situated at Nexus House, 2 Cray Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 5DB, not later than 12.00 noon on the business day prior to the date of the Meeting.
Notice is also hereby given, pursuant to Section 98(2)(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986, that Nedim Ailyan and Andrew Tate, of Abbott Fielding, Nexus House, 2 Cray Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 5DB, are qualified to act as Insolvency Practitioners in relation to the above Company, and will furnish Creditors, free of charge, with such information concerning the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
Dated: 25 September 2007
By Order of the Board
D McCormack, Chairman

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Mazda2 avoids 'go large' trend

WE have written before about the 'supersize me' or 'go large' trend in superminis – each model adding inches and piling on more pounds than its predecessor.

But the trend was always doomed to collide with gathering momentum to cut fuel consumption and emissions and Mazda earns credit for responding first.

Its bright new Mazda2 is a far cry from much-vaunted yet bulkier rivals and smaller, smarter, lighter, livelier and more economical than its competent, but comparatively boring and boxy predecessor.

Mazda expects to triple its sales in the supermini sector in 2008 with this car – no wonder, when the new car costs from a modest £8,499 and looks as good as its sounds on paper:

Mazda is also keeping it simple in marketing the car too, with three powertrains – 1.3 and 1.5-litre petrol engines and a 1.4-litre diesel – and three equipment levels: TS, TS2 and Sport.

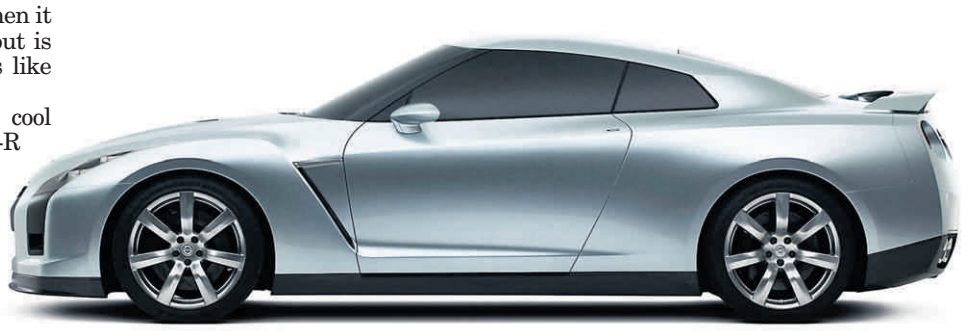
Skyline legend due out soon

NISSAN has also plumbed the depths when it comes to judgement of its 'street cred', but is riding high now with excellent products like the new Qashqai hatchback cum SUV.

And its transformation from dull to cool should be set when the muscular GT-R sports car goes on sale here in early 2008.

The GT-R – formerly the Skyline GT-R (Gran Turismo Racer) – is a legendary affordable muscle cum supercar, despite selective marketing around the world;

British buyers know past models only by reputation and a few grey imports.



Yeti's cool look says 'cult car'

SKODA has confirmed that its proposed small 4x4, the Yeti, will enter production in early 2009.

The car is expected to compete with small SUV (sports utility models) like the Daihatsu Terios rather than 'midi' models like the Toyota RAV4.

It will be the Czech company's fifth model line and the most likely to create a breakthrough for the brand's image – 'cult car' is not beyond the Yeti's reach judging by photo releases.

Once maligned as the worst example of Iron Curtain consumer technology, Skoda has advanced rapidly under VW ownership and regularly tops customer polls and scoops awards such as the 'Best Crossover Estate' title in 4x4 Magazine's 2008 awards, picked up by the Octavia 4x4.

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VW's Bluemotion 'green' way to go

WHILE the industry grapples with grandiose long-term solutions to the profligacy, pollution and CO_2 emissions of cars, VW has produced a clever stopgap.

So impressive is the VW Polo Bluemotion – first of several Bluemotion versions of key VWs – that you wonder why it wasn't done before.

In fact, it was; VW produced a high fuel-effiency version of the Mark II Polo way back in 1983 known as the Formel E – E for economy.

The German giant also produced an ultra-frugal Lupo city car model in 1999, capable of averaging 94mpg.

Instead of the Formel E's high compression petrol engine, the Lupo and the Bluemotion adopted bespoke versions of contemporary VW diesels – in the case of the Bluemotion, the 80PS (78bhp) 1.4-litre turbodiesel – but all make use of leggy gear ratios for optimum fuel consumption.

So it is not rocket science, and nor are other features used to enable the Bluemotion to average 70 miles to the gallon with ease – corroborated during my first drive of the car – and emit 20 per cent less CO2 than its standard equivalent.

The most obvious of the other tricks is better streamlining: a re-worked grille and front end, smaller door mirrors and, horror of horrors, a rear spoiler, a bolt-on from that opposite of the Bluemotion – the hot hatchback.

All make this Polo more slippery, for better economy and quieter motorway cruising.

Weight has also been pared away, most notably by using lighter yet elegant spoked alloys that would not disgrace a hot hatchback.

Remote central locking has been ditched in favour of an old-style key only version – it doesn't bother me – while deleting air con on the entry level Bluemotion 1 model saves weight, engine power and emissions.

These could have been slashed further by axing the power steering, but unassisted parking on modern and heavier superminis can call for superhuman muscles, so VW modified and lightened the system and, consequently, the drain on engine and economy.

The steering can feel 'distant' at times, but road-going rally types are never going to buy this car anyway, especially when they note the harder compound, higher profile tyres for lower rolling resistance – great for economy, but not for hugging the bends.

Nevertheless, I reckon VW has underestimated demand for this little green 'tree-hugger' even though Polos are premium buys anyway and the Bluemotion costs some £1,000 more than its 'ordinary' equivalent.

Just 900 are coming into the UK before the end of the year – I think sights will have to be raised dramatically for 2008, especially when the Bluemotion profile is raised further by Golf and Passat versions.

Just think of the demand for these cars from company car users.

Further tweaks to the Polo version, for instance, should not only make it eligible for zero road tax, but exemption from the London congestion charge.

And it is not as if you have to suffer to do your bit for the planet; the car is a decent drive and does not feel gutless even if the higher ratio five-speed 'box means the engine needs some extra revving at times.

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DrivingReview

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AlfaSpider

New generation Spider graduates with honours

BEFORE the 1967 movie The Graduate, Alfa Romeo was probably better known outside Italy as a builder of racing cars.

But partnering Dustin Hoffman's flawed hero with an elegant Alfa Spider gave both the breakthrough they needed.

The film was a tangled romance in which Hoffman's character also enjoyed a love-hate relationship with the Alfa. The car eventually runs out of fuel as he hurries to stop his girlfriend and daughter of his lover, Mrs Robinson, from marrying another man.

This troubled affair with the car will be familiar to long-running Alfa fans; the brand endured a phase when it never seemed to get reliability right.

But it turned the corner a few years ago and the current Spider is a quantum leap from its famous yet fallable ancestor, while still oozing glamour and charm.

Along with 'drophead' gorgeous looks, there is an interior to match, with classy alloy touches, solid and well-arranged switchgear and beautiful leather seats.

Gone are the days when you might have clouted your funny bone on a badly sited handbrake while wondering whether the fuel gauge was lying to you.

Then again, this fiery Italian starlet is not without flaws: the offset number plate is now an Alfa trademark that allows incorporation of that deep radiator grille, but it does disturb the balance of crisp front end styling.

The new Spider also suffers from the dreaded 'scuttle shake', a flexing of the bodywork caused by chopping the roof off the Brera coupé on which the Spider is based.

Don't worry, the car is perfectly safe, but it makes the car fidgety on poorly maintained roads and Alfa's German rivals have dealt with the same problem rather more successfully.

It is a shame, because the Spider is a good drive otherwise; the grip is sharp, the steering responsive and the 2.2-litre petrol version, as tested here, possesses a typically fabulous free revving Alfa engine and nice precise gearbox.

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- Powertrain: 2,198cc/185bhp four-cylinder petrol engine driving front wheels through a six-speed manual gearbox.
- Performance: top speed 138mph and 0-62mph in 8.8 seconds.
- How green?: category-F and 221g/km CO2 emissions.
- Official fuel figures: combined 30mpg.
- Euro NCAP safety rating (0-5 stars): N/A.
- Fuel tank: 70 litres/15.4 gallons.
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On the down side, this unit does not endow the Spider with sparkling pace, nor quite have the Alfa rasp mentioned in our Motors TV report at www.yourkenttv.co.uk. Purists will also whinge about the front-wheel drive layout for this car and the other cooking version, the 2.4 diesel, though the 3.2 V6 Q4 four-wheel drive flagship should shut them up.

Back on the credit side though, Alfa has done well to provide so much stowage space: a decent size boot, lockers behind the seats as well as space on top of these, seat back pockets, glove compartment and a centre locker cum cooler.

Hood up or down, the Spider also looks terrific though the topless look edges it by virtue of the neat nacelles behind the seats after the fully electric hood has slotted itself out of sight.

I was also impressed by how useable the car is with its top down; a Perspex windshield sits behind the seat headrests, preserving the car's looks and doing a far better job of controlling wind buffeting than the intrusive mesh screens favoured on so many rivals.

Sure, the Spider is flawed, but your heart goes out to it.

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C15, 1.9D Champ 600 Van, 2003, 1.9d champ 600 van d diesel, white, 39106 miles, £2995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4 HDi LX 3dr, 2004, 1.4 hdi lx 3dr diesel hatch, blue, 44729 miles, £5995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.6i 16V VTR 3dr SensoDrive, 2006, 1.6i 16v vtr 3dr sensodrive hatch, silver, 1000 miles, £7995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.1i L 3dr, 2005, 1.1i l 3dr hatch, yellow, 10 miles, £5995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4i Design 3dr, 2005, 1.4i design 3dr hatch, arctic steel, 15000 miles, £5495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4 HDi SX 3dr, 2007, 1.4 hdi sx 3dr diesel hatch, silver, 10 miles, £7995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.1i SX 3dr, 2004, 1.1i sx 3dr hatch, red, 2395 miles, £6250, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4i SX 3dr, 2006, 1.4i sx 3dr hatch, arctic steel, 3000 miles, £6995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C2, 1.4 HDi Design 3dr, 2007, 1.4 hdi design 3dr diesel hatch, black, 3000 miles, £7495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.6i 16V SX 5dr Auto, 1.6i 16v sx 5dr auto hatch, wicked red, 1000 miles, £9495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i SX 5dr Auto, 2003, 1.4i sx 5dr auto hatch, tuscan blue, 19500 miles, £5995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i SX 5dr Auto, 2004, 1.4i sx 5dr auto hatch, arctic steel, 12238 miles, £6495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 2003, a/con cd c/lock e/wind pas, blue, 28721 miles, £5795, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

C3, 1.6i 16V SX 5dr Auto, 2006, 1.6i 16v sx 5dr auto hatch, iron grey, 5000 miles, £8295, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i Desire 5dr, 2006, 1.4i desire 5dr hatch special edition, arctic steel, 6000 miles, £6995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i Cool 5dr, 2007, 1.4i cool 5dr hatch special edition, tuscan blue, 1000 miles, £8295, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4 HDi Desire 5dr, 2004, 1.4 hdi desire 5dr hatch special edition, blue, 37000 miles, £6695, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i SX 5dr, 2005, 1.4i sx 5dr hatch, black, 13313 miles, £6995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4i 16V Stop and Start 5dr Sensodrive, 2006, 1.4i 16v stop and start 5dr sensodrive hatch, blue, 10000 miles, £9495, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

C3, 1.4 HDi 16V Exclusive 5dr, 2003, 1.4 hdi 16v exclusive 5dr diesel hatch, blue, 20000 miles, £6495, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C3 PLURIEL, 1.4i 2dr [75] convertible, silver, 33090 miles, £6995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6i 16V VTR Plus 5dr, 2006, 1.6i 16v vtr plus 5dr hatch, silver, 9522 miles, £9795, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6i 16V SX 5dr Auto, 2005, 1.6i 16v sx 5dr auto hatch, normandy green, 13543 miles, £8495, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6i 16V VTR Plus 3dr, 2007, 1.6i 16v vtr plus 3dr coupe, red, 10 miles, £10995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6HDi 16V VTR Plus 3dr EGS, 2007, 1.6hdi 16v vtr plus 3dr egs diesel coupe, black, 5750 miles, £11995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6i 16V Cool 3dr, 2007, 1.6i 16v cool 3dr coupe sp eds, red, 10 miles, £9995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C4, 1.6i 16V VTR Plus 5dr, 2005, 1.6i 16v vtr plus 5dr hatch, blue, 33019 miles, £7995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C4 GRAND PICASSO, 2.0hdi 16v exclusive 5dr auto diesel estate, iron grey, 1500 miles, £19995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C4 GRAND PICASSO, 1.8i 16v sx 5dr estate, iron grey, 1000 miles, £13995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C5, 1.6 HDi 16V VTR 5dr, 2007, 1.6 hdi 16v vtr 5dr diesel hatch, blue, 10 miles, £12995, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C5, 2.2 HDi 16V Exclusive 5dr [173], 2006, diesel hatch, black, 11000 miles, £13995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C5, 1.6 HDi 16V LX 5dr, 2006, 1.6 hdi 16v lx 5dr diesel hatch, silver, 7500 miles, £10995, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

C5, 2.2 HDi 16V VTR 5dr Auto, 2005, 2.2 hdi 16v vtr 5dr auto diesel hatch, grey, 10871 miles, £12495, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

C6, 2.7 HDi V6 Exclusive 4dr Auto, 2007, 2.7 hdi v6 exclusive 4dr auto diesel saloon, iron grey, 5000 miles, £26995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

C8, 2.2i 16V Exclusive Captain Chair 5dr, 2003, 2.2i 16v exclusive captain chair 5dr estate, red, 25000 miles, £9495, Wilmoths, Folkestone, 01303 245 588 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2004, 1.6i lx 5dr estate, blue, 10000 miles, £6295, Wilmoths, Ashford, 01233 640100 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2005, 1.6i desire 5dr estate, oriental blue, 19405 miles, £6995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

XSARA PICASSO, 2004, 2.0 hdi exclusive 5dr diesel estate, arctic steel, 27652 miles, £8295, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

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FIESTA, 1.4 Flame 3dr, 30/09/2004, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, red, 21640 miles, £6499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 TDCi Ghia 5dr (2005 -), 17/10/2006, cd player abs leather hood cover alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser heated seats electric windows, blue, 7998 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Zetec 5dr (2002 - 2005), 01/09/2004, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, green, 27547 miles, £6591, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Zetec 5dr, 19/03/2005, abs, black, 13872 miles, £6799, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.25 Finesse 5dr, 25/09/2004, cd player driver airbag power steering electric windows, silver, 4772 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 CFi LX 5dr (1990 - 1991), 13/04/2004, cd player abs electric sunroof alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, grey, 21000 miles, £5499, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.6 Ghia 5dr, 01/09/2003, cd player abs power steering immobiliser electric windows, green, 24589 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.6 Zetec S 3dr (2005 -), 30/06/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, grey, 9000 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.25 Style 5dr (2005 -), 16/01/2007, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 4223 miles, £7399, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.25 Style 3dr [Climate] (2005 -), 26/01/2007, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, red, 3988 miles, £7599, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Zetec 5dr [Climate] (2005 -), 31/01/2007, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser auto climate control electric windows, silver, 14634 miles, £7999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Flame 3dr (2003 - 2004), 04/03/2005, cd player abs driver airbag power steering, black, 13473 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Zetec 5dr [Climate] (2005 -), 30/09/2006, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, red, 9821 miles, £7999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.6 Zetec S 3dr (2005 -), 30/03/2007, red, 5635 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

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FOCUS, 2006, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, blue metallic, 14192 miles, £16495, WJ King Vauxhall, Gravesend, 01474 565656 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2004, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, grey metallic, 32560 miles, £6295, WJ King Vauxhall, Bexleyheath, 020 8303 2299 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, black, 13880 miles, £7595, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, silver, 24272 miles, £8995, WJ King Vauxhall, Rochester, 01634 723723 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX 5dr (2005 - 2007), 14/05/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering electric windows, blue, 13371 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Sport 5dr, 06/03/2006, cd player power steering electric windows, red, 14529 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2005, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, grey, 21335 miles, £8995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2004, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, black, 24040 miles, £5995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec Automatic, 2004, magnum grey, 22000 miles, £6495, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX, 2007, colorado red, 5 miles, £10995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 LX, 2006, panther black, 13180 miles, £8995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2005, a/con cd alloys c/lock e/wind, silver, 26724 miles, £7995, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.8 Ghia, 2001, 2 previous owners central locking remote central locking front electric windows air conditioning power steering drivers airbag alarm immobiliser alloy wheels, pepper red, 57000 miles, £4293, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2.5 ST-2 3dr (2006 -), 29/09/2006, cd player abs leather hood cover driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 10555 miles, £15999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Ghia 5dr [115], 20/03/2005, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, grey, 25000 miles, £9299, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec 5dr [115] [Climate Pack], 11/03/2005, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 24000 miles, £8499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

FUSION, 1.4 TDCi Zetec 5dr [Climate] (2005 -), 21/03/2007, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 3253 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

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FUSION, 1.4 Style 5dr [Climate] (2005 -), 29/11/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, silver, 10384 miles, £8291, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

GALAXY, 1.9 TD Ghia 5dr Auto [115 PS] (2000 - 2006), 19/07/2007, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, 39548 miles, £12999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

GALAXY, 2005, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, storm grey, 16928 miles, £13495, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

GALAXY, 2.0 TDCi Ghia 5dr (2006 -), 30/01/2007, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering electric windows, silver, 11182 miles, £18999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i [70] 3dr (2002 - 2006), 29/08/2003, immobiliser, black, 21978 miles, £3999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i 3dr (1996 - 2002), 29/12/2003, abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser, black, 28911 miles, £3499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3i [70] 3dr (2002 - 2006), 15/09/2004, power steering, blue, 12532 miles, £3999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

KA, Collection, 2001, green, 45000 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 1.8 LX 5dr (2005 - 2007), 31/10/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, silver, 17002 miles, £8997, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 1.8 LX 5dr (2005 - 2007), 10/11/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser cruise control electric windows, black, 14961 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0 Ghia X 5dr (2005 - 2007), 13/09/2006, cd player abs driver airbag power steering cruise control heated seats electric windows, silver, 8854 miles, £13999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE

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S-MAX, 1.8 TDCi LX 5dr (2006 -), 07/03/2007, cd player abs alarm driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, black, 5354 miles, £16499, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

S-MAX, 2.0 TDCi Titanium 5dr (2006 -), 31/07/2006, cd player abs alarm auto climate control electric windows, black, 14400 miles, £17999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

STREETKA ROADSTER, 29/04/2005, blue, 4500 miles, £8999, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

HONDA

CIVIC, 2002, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, ultra blue, 28275 miles, £5795, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 1.4, 2002, green, 30086 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 2002, cd c/lock e/wind pas a/bag, silver, 41900 miles, £5995, WJ KIng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 2004, a/con alloys cd s/roof c/lock, silver, 27686 miles, £7995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

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COUPE, S 1.6, 2006, silver, 65 miles, £11995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.3 Gsi, 2003, seaside blue, 30000 miles, £3295, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, Gsi 1.1, 2006, red, 44034 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, Cdx 1.1, 2003, black, 19002 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, Cdx 1.3, 2004, black, 36089 miles, £5995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MATRIX, Gsi 1.6, 2005, silver, 44111 miles, £4295, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

SANTA FE, Gsi Crtd 2.2, 2006, green, 6040 miles, £17895, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

TERRACAN, Crtd Cdx 2.9, 2003, black, 40302 miles, £9995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

TRAJET, Gsi, 2000, blue, 51488 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

TUCSON, CDX, 2005, black, 16926 miles, £12495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

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TOYOTA HI ACE 280 GS D4D, 09 2006, 2.5 td 88 swb white 21.000 miles fsh rear ttial gate, £9250, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

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AGILA, 2004, e/wind c/lock a/bag pas cd, prestige blue, 3833 miles, £5495, WJ King Vauxhall, Dartford, 01322 227581 (TRADE)

ANTARA, 2007, s/steps r/spoiler sat/nav, nickel silver, 0 miles, £25995, WJ King Vauxhall, Welling, 020 8303 1234 (TRADE)

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ASTRA, 2004, alloys cd, black sapphire, 29316 miles, £10495, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

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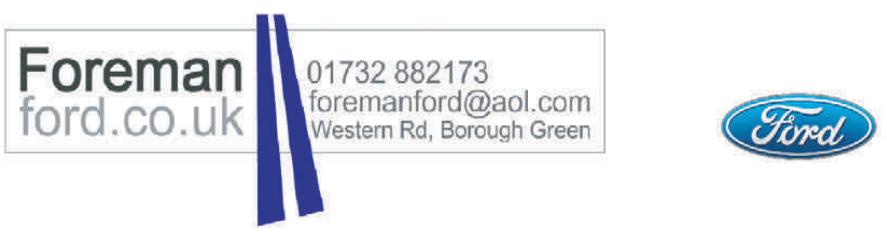

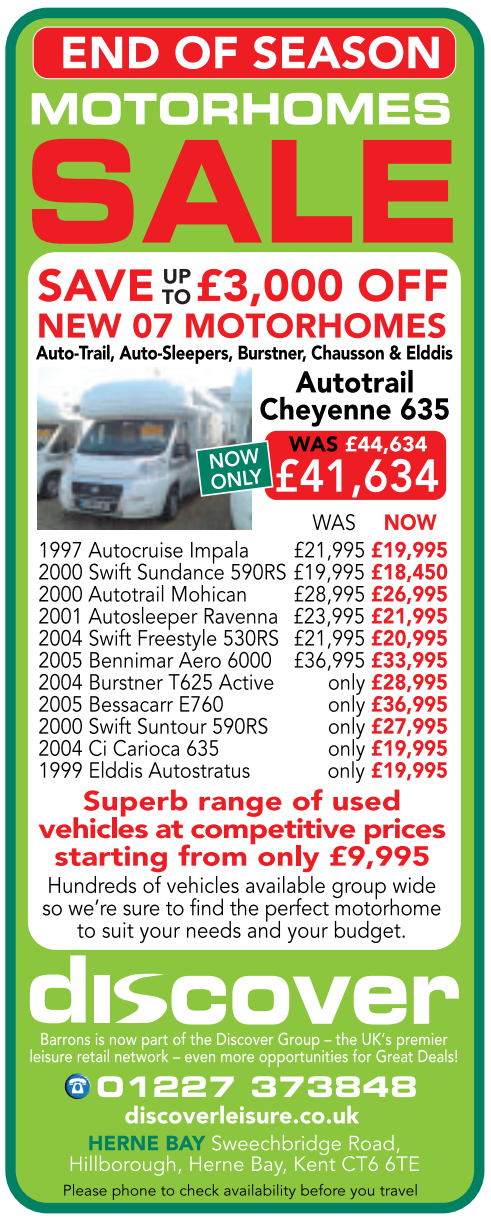

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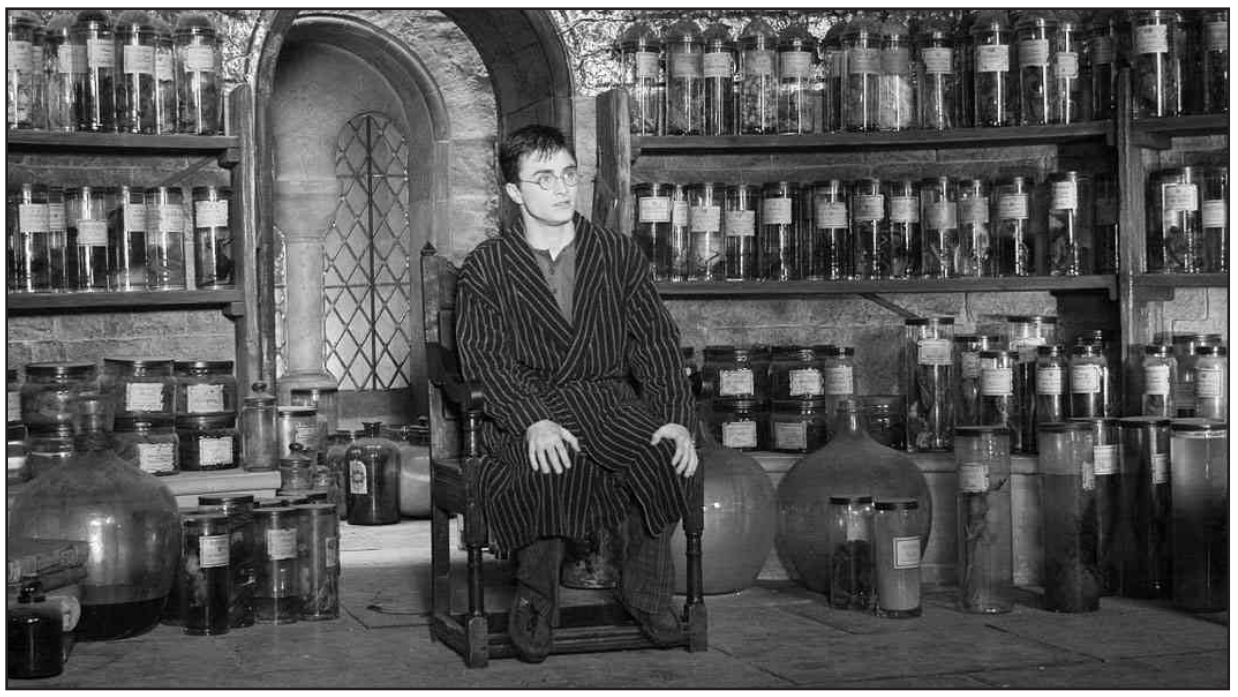

WEAK SPELL: CBI report says after Pottermania, book retailers have endured their leanest period for 23 years

Why book shops are in a muggle

Financial markets spell trouble for retailers

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WITH the decline in sales of Harry Potter titles, bookshops are having a hard time, it is claimed.

A new report from the Confederation of British Industry found book sales have been dropping as Pottermania cools.

The South East's high street spending did continue to grow in September, however, despite five interest rate rises in a year.

In the 23-year history of the CBI Retail Survey, booksellers and stationers have never reported such a tough time.

Malcolm Hyde, director of CBI South East, said: "Overall, retailers will be relieved to see that the recent troubles on the financial markets didn't have a serious impact on consumer spending in September.

"However, four consecutive months of more modest spending growth prove that higher interest rates are continuing to have an effect.

"Some retailers are faring worse than others and the return of fierce competition makes pricing critical.

Sales of big ticket items such as large electrical and consumer durables, which tend to be linked to the housing market, have been badly hit.

"Others selling furnishings and DIY have done better, which suggests people are focusing on improving where they live rather than moving house."

Just 37 per cent of retailers reported a rise in sales on a year ago against 25 per cent that were down.

Sales of shoes and leather goods had been rising, but have dropped back, while clothing sales fell for the fourth month in a row.

After three months of falling sales, motor traders' fortunes improved in September, the month in which new car registration plates are released.

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A NEW report claims 53 per cent of lawyers can't afford to retire because they have inadequate plans to cover their cost of living once they leave a salaried position.

And 42 per cent of those over 51 didn't feel confident they could enjoy a secure retirement.

Women are more poorly prepared then men, with 60 per cent saying they don't have financial provision.

The report was carried out by Wesleyan for Lawyers, a recently-launched service designed to provide dedicated and holistic financial services and products for lawyer.

The average lawyer would expect to retire at 62.

Mark Tootill, national sales manager for Wesleyan for Lawyers, said: "I'm not surprised by these research findings.

"Lack of provision for retirement is something we are continually coming across in our discussions and highlights the need for a dedicated financial advice service tailored to lawyers' needs."

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Cheers to a bright future

By CHRIS MURPHY
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THE boss of a leading brewery is confident it can weather everything the Government can throw at them – and remain successful.

Jonathan Neame, chief executive of Faversham-based Shepherd Neame, revealed on Wednesday that pre-tax profits were up almost 10 per cent to £10.5 million.

He said the company has already spent £9,000 on each of its 375 pubs in the South East, putting in new landscaping to cater for smokers who can no longer light up indoors following the ban.

Challenging

He said: "We are very happy with these latest financial results – they are very strong.

"Everyone knows the beer and pub trade is challenging, yet we have continued to grow.

"We have managed to succeed because the consumer is increasingly attracted to traditional pubs and authentic local products.

"They are turning away from volume brands and looking more and more for specialities, so the portfolio we have of beers, lagers and the sort of pubs we have, means we have got what the consumer is looking for."

The effect of the smoking ban is still an unknown for many pubs and the telling time will come this winter

But Mr Neame says his firm is ready for a short-term downturn in business. He is optimistic that in five years, smoking in pubs will have long been forgotten.

The man in charge of the company behind beers like Spitfire and Bishop's Finger, said: "The evidence from markets all round the world points in the same direction.

"This is that in the first year of a ban it is quite challenging, particularly in the winter. In the second year there is some recovery and from the third to fifth year, we can see a very vibrant pub market again which is what has been happening in Ireland, Sweden, and Canada.

"We are very confident about the market five years out, but we recognise it will be quite a challenging short-term environment."

He said smokers will not give up their pint altogether and the customer base will increase as more families start to use pubs.

"Smokers will still use pubs, but they may use them less. We can attract a bigger, more family-orientated customer base as people can realise pubs are a great destination for eating and drinking.

"We, as a company, welcome the ban because in the long term it is in everybody's interest."

Last year, the company brewed over 63 million pints and sold 73 million pints to the UK as well as France, Sweden and Denmark. It has hotels and coaching inns with a total of 214 bedrooms.

Mr Neame said: "Our pubs are so diverse that some will take a hit and others won't. But by having a spread means our business is very resilient."

As for the future, he said he expects more red tape from the Government in some shape or form, especially to control binge drinking.

But he said: "My view is that it is in everybody's social and economic interest to encourage the consumption of alcohol in pubs, which is controlled and regulated, rather than at home or on the streets."

PROFITS UP: Jonathan Neame says the smoking ban has been good for business

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Crofts back in Welsh fold

FOOTBALL: Gillingham will be without captain Andrew Crofts for the home game against Millwall next weekend, after the midfielder received an international call-up.

The 23-year-old has been included in John Toshack's Wales squad for the European Championship qualifiers against Cyprus and San Marino.

Crofts has made eight appearances for Wales since making his debut in 2005 and featured in the defeat against Germany last month.

Wales play Cyprus on October 13 and San Marino four days' later, meaning Crofts will return to the Gills just before the club's long away trip to Carlisle.

■ Gillingham's crunch game against Millwall has been rescheduled for a noon kick-off at the KRBS Priestfield Stadium.

Shakey at home

SUPERBIKES: Sheppey superbike star Shane 'Shakey' Byrne will be competing at Brands Hatch next weekend in the final meeting of the season.

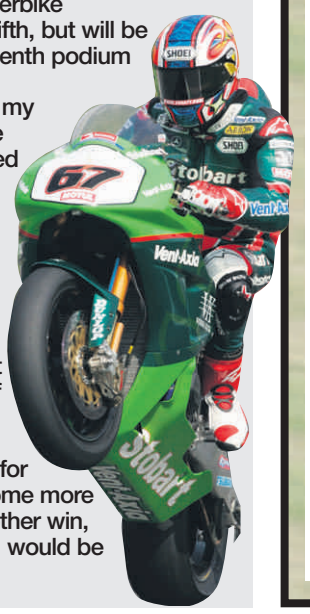
The Bennetts British Superbike Championship title will be decided by a thrilling three-way shoot out at the final round of the season.

Former British Superbike Champion Byrne is fifth, but will be hoping to make it a tenth podium finish.

He said: Brands is my local circuit – it's the first place I ever raced so it's really special for me.

"At my first race meeting there I won and also won Man of the Meeting, so I'll be trying to emulate that again, although I don't think there is a Man of the Meeting at BSB.

"I'm aiming to get some more trophies for the Stobart Team, some more champagne and another win, especially at Brands, would be really good."



Ideal first driver

Estate agent in call for sponsor to help him keep dream on track

By **DAVID PRITCHARD**

A PART-TIME racing driver will be negotiating the bends at Lime Rock Park rather than housing contracts when he lines up on the grid in Connecticut next weekend.

However, the estate agent from Chislehurst, who stands a chance of winning a race series in his debut season, could be forced to turn his back on racing if he doesn't get any sponsorship.

Nick Brady raced motocross bikes throughout his childhood but gave up competing to get a full-time job.

Two years ago his life was changed forever when he attended a track day at Brands Hatch and discovered he had a talent for racing cars.

He said: "I was sick and tired of being nicked for speeding every five minutes. I always wanted to do a track day but at the time I had no money so I put it off until a friend convinced me to come along.

Scholarship

"There were cars quicker than the one I was driving but I was beating them.

"Someone said to me at the time 'what do you race?' and when I told them it was my first time they suggested I should race cars."

With no money to enter the prohibitive world of motorsport on his own, he entered a national competition that gave the winner a year's scholarship in the Skip Barber racing series in the United States.

Despite having no experience, Brady won through five rounds and beat more than 500 other hopefuls to secure a year competing in single-seater racing in the US.

Since April, the 26-year-old has mixed his day job as an estate agent with race weekends at world-famous circuits such as Watkins Glen and Lime Rock Park. Leaving on a Thursday, he is often back at work within 24 hours of racing.

SPEED DEMON: Nick Brady has been fulfilling a dream as a racing driver but needs sponsorship to continue

He said: "The travelling has been tough because I do it alone. The first time was pretty scary. It was surreal when I told customs I was a race car driver – you get this amazing treatment, it's insane."

Due to bad weather the competition finished late, so by the time Brady got his racing licence he had missed the first meeting of the season. Since then he has made a big impact in the championship.

"It's very competitive, last time we were at Lime Rock I won both races and the top five were separated by a second-and-a-half.

"They were my first wins which was an amazing feeling. In qualifying I was on pole by over a second and I couldn't believe how fast I was going.

"The last two rounds are next weekend at Lime Rock where I have won before so I'm really looking forward to going out there.

"If I can win the races and keep the two guys in front of me in the championship behind, there is a mathematical chance I can win it.

"I went there hoping to finish in the top 10, so to be third in my first year of competitive racing has exceeded even my expectations. To be where I am is fantastic."

Once the racing finishes next weekend the scholarship ends and without sponsorship Brady's dream will also come to an end.

He wants to race in next year's Formula Palmer Audi championship in this country, but needs to raise around £70,000 before next spring to make the deadline.

He says walking away from the sport would be unthinkable after his experiences.

"Having been given this opportunity and knowing that given the right chance I could make it, it would be heartbreaking to stop.

"I would be happy to race cars for a wage, it's just finding a way. It's my dream and you do anything to achieve your dream."

• ***See an extended interview with Nick on yourkenttv.co.uk.***

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Top-10 finale for Conway

BRITISH single-seater star Mike Conway completed his first season in the GP2 Series at Valencia on Sunday with a ninth-place finish.

The Sevenoaks driver began the race in 11th after a timing failure in the weekend's feature race, which meant he was officially classified 11th in the results.

Despite being fired up for a good start, it wasn't to be as his clutch was overheating which meant he struggled away and lost places.

He said: "After that I was really struggling with the car's balance. I stuck with the guys ahead for a while, but I was getting more and more oversteer.

"I just had to hold back from attacking, and the front brakes were locking too, which was unusual."

It was a lonely race to the finish for Kent's rising star as he was unable to catch Saturday's winner Vitaly Petrov, but quick enough to keep Albuquerque at bay.

Conway has travelled across Spain to Jerez this week and has been testing for at least one different team with a view to his planned second year in GP2.

He said: "What I've learned this year about GP2 is that you never have a perfect car, you just have to deal with what you've got."

LEARNING: Mike Conway's debut GP2 season has provided him with invaluable experience

"I'm eager to take this experience and see what happens next year. We're going to test at Jerez with other teams and keep our options open for 2008."

Sam headed to World Cup

KENT youngster Sam Northeast has been named in a 14-man squad to take part in the ICC under-19 World Cup in Malaysia in February.

The Ashford-born batsman, who turns 18 in two weeks, continues his journey through the England ranks after representing his country at U15, U16 and U17 level.

Northeast made his first-class debut for the county in Kent's last game of the season, against Durham at Canterbury and has also played for the second XI squad.

He will be hoping to use that experience, in which he scored 5 and 0, to help the U19 squad battle it out against 15 other nations.

The squad will be captained for the first time by Northamptonshire's Alex Wakely and includes 10 players who have played first-class county cricket.

Andy Pick, England under-19 coach, said: "This is a great opportunity for this group of players to test their cricketing skills on a world stage."

The World Cup will take place in Malaysia between February 17 and March 2, next year.

PICKED: Sam Northeast will travel to Malaysia

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Dover full of drive

Four promotions on the trot proves it

By **TOM HOWARD**

WHEN a group of nine-year-old rugby players turned up for training 13 years ago, coach Richard Collins had no idea they would change the fortunes of Dover Rugby Club forever.

After investing in a youth set-up which allows youngsters to train with the first team, those 10 home-grown young players have worked their way through the ranks and now form the crux of Dover's first XV.

Now, Buster Collins, Martyn Beaumont, Ben Sedgewick, Chris Lucas, Ed Close, Lee Tonks, Dale Tonks, Ben Murray, Ricky Mackintosh and Ryan Davidson are valued members of the squad and are encouraging other youngsters to follow in their footsteps.

The club, based at Crabble, is on the rise after achieving four promotions in the last five years and is now in its highest position since the new league formats were introduced when the sport went professional.

The success of the club, which plays in the London Three South East Division, boils down to the youth structure which has been put in place to nurture talent to eventually appear in the first team.

Coaches Graham Tonks and Richard Collins have worked with the 10 players from the current first team since 1994 and have watched them stay with the club.

Collins said: "Going back two or three years before we started, the club noticed that it wasn't retaining the youth as they came through, they were often leaving for jobs or university.

"The gap between youth and the first team was widening, so the club built a structure so the youths would be looked after and could break through into the senior sides. It has grown and grown in numbers and expertise.

"I took them on at the age of nine and Graham Tonks joined when they turned 11. Ten of that side are now playing first-team rugby here. Also those players were also representing Kent U-18 clubs as well."

Honour

Collins is delighted the spine of his team is made up of home-grown players and said more clubs should be doing the same.

He said: "I think from the town and the club's perspective it is an honour to have achieved this with all homegrown lads, which makes it, in a way, more special.

"I have seen them grow from babies into strong men. We dominated the leagues when they were younger and to see them come through is a great achievement.

"We are proud of them, a lot of hard work has gone into that side and every club needs to bring their youth through – we are lucky that we can do that."

Many of the group broke through into the first team at the age of 17, and Collins puts this down to coaching skills of Graham Tonks and John Mercer.

Since the club put a dedicated youth system in place, the average age of the first XV has radically reduced from 34 down to 22.

Richard Catt has seen many changes in his time at Dover after starting out as a coach and progressing to club chairman.

He believes the club's success is down to the hard work of coaches and all the volunteers who have helped the club.

He said: "Who knows where we will go, obviously I would like to see them go as far as they can.

"Each season brings new challenges and difficulties, financial constraints and extra problems space and facilities-wise. We have made great strides in five years.

"This season we have three out of four wins in the new division. We are going to give this season a try and if we get promotion I will be delighted. If we finish in the top four I will be equally delighted.

"The important thing is – the day you take to the pitch and you are not looking to win, is the day you stop playing."

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Saggers plays on

CRICKET: Kent fast bowler Martin Saggers has signed a contract extension at the county which will keep him at the St Lawrence ground until the end of the 2009 season.

Saggers, who went out on short-term to Essex last season, has regained full fitness and will be an important part of Kent's plans next season.

The 35-year-old missed a large part of the 2005 and 2006 seasons through injury, but made a recovery to help Kent escape relegation.

He was awarded his county cap in 2001 and played three tests for England, making his international debut against Bangladesh in November 2003.

Supreme surfer

WINDSURFING: Keith Atkinson became one of the most successful windsurfers in British history when he completed a sensational season last weekend.

The 24-year-old from Wilmington, near Dartford, became the 2007 British Formula Inland Champion at the final National Cup Series event at Clacton.

Atkinson took the Inland Windsurfing National Series the week before and for the third consecutive year he has become the prestigious British Formula Windsurfing Champion.

The nine-time British Champion also won the British Open title at Bridlington earlier in the season.

Atkinson's season was disrupted by a severe back injury mid-season which required three months of physiotherapy.

He said: "I spent a lot of time with my physio which helped hugely, combined with a week in Lake Garda training before the last of the British Championship series.

"This paid off well and I gained a lot of strength and speed."

Open closes door on Chart Hills

THE LADIES English Open golf tournament will no longer be held at Biddenden's Chart Hills course.

After hosting the prestigious event in the women's golfing calendar for the last three years, the competition at Chart Hills has been moved to The Oxfordshire course.

Leaderboard, the owners of Chart Hills and The Oxfordshire, had signed an agreement to keep the Ladies English Open Championship at the Faldo designed course until 2009, but lack of sponsorship has forced the move.

Sponsorship

Rod Park, general manager, said: "Lack of sponsorship for the tournament is the main reason why it will be moving to the Oxfordshire.

"We believe that this course has a larger catchment area for potential sponsors to invest in the event."

"The event may return to Chart Hills in the future, it is a good event to host and it brings a lot of spectators to the course."

Spectators at this year's event saw Becky Brewerton of Wales lift the famous trophy and last year Maidstone's Danielle Masters finished third in the championship.

Masters told KoS she was disappointed because Chart Hills offers a lot of support for the ladies' game.

She said: "I am gutted the tournament is moving it is my home course. It is a real shame – I don't think they realise how popular the event was.

"It will be interesting to see if The Oxfordshire will attract sponsors and the amount of spectators Chart Hills did. I just hope it is not too far away for my fans to travel and watch me."

The event was also a great chance for youth golfers to see professionals in action.

Masters added: "We have a lot of young golfers coming through the ranks and now they will not have the chance to see the best women golfers in the world play and pick up tips from them."

OFF COURSE: Chart Hills will no longer stage the Ladies English Open and (right) this year's champion, Becky Brewerton

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D-DAY FOR GILLS

Club could name new boss today

By **GLENN PEARSON**

TODAY could be the day Gillingham fans finally learn the identity of their new manager – a month after Ronnie Jepson left the club.

Chairman Paul Scally has been scouring the country for a possible replacement but KoS understands the new boss could be named today.

It is four weeks to the day since Ronnie Jepson departed the club, and despite a whole host of names in the mix, Gills fans have been left speculating who will be in charge of leading the club's push for the Championship.

Iffy Onoura and Mick Docherty have taken over the reins in a caretaker capacity and despite a 4-0 defeat away to Nottingham Forest, their record in charge has been quite impressive.

A source within the club said on Friday: "A lot of it depends on what result we get tomorrow [Swindon Town]."

Wins at home against both Brighton and table-toppers Leyton Orient, together with the satisfaction of being the first team to take a point of Leeds United this season, has surely bolstered their claims for the job.

Onoura and Doherty have not hid their desire for the job on a full-time basis, but it appears Scally may be looking to hire a manager from outside the club after making comments in a national press interview.

He said a week ago: "I've made my mind up who we want as manager. I've a shortlist of three and the person I want is currently out of the country."

The uncertainty does not appear to have transferred to the pitch, but Doherty and Onoura would clearly like their future cleared up as the continued speculation is of no benefit to the club.

Difficult

Docherty said: "The more protracted it is the more difficult it becomes, because there are so many imponderables and we would sooner have the thing resolved. In fairness, I'm sure everyone, including the chairman, would like to make that happen."

Mike Newell, Martin Allen, Brian Kidd, Neil McDonald, Micky Adams and Jimmy Quinn have all been heavily linked with the job, together with Steve McMahon.

Onoura said: "I think it is tactful to say that we just get on with the job on a day-to-day basis. We have certainly not been kept aware of any of the names or the interviews or anything like that.

"At times it can be a little bit of a strain because you are reading things in the papers and you don't know if it is true.

"So, like Doc said, to prolong the temporary thing isn't ideal, because to some degree you are managing with your handbrake on, you can't go full throttle with everything you want to do.

"You are always to some degree fighting fires and doing things on a day-to-day basis where you can't plan longer than that."

Rumours have been rife since Jepson's departure, but so far Scally has kept his cards close to his chest.

One of those believed to have been on Scally's original shortlist was Stevenage boss Mark Stimson, but he revealed that the Gills chairman was refused permission to speak to him.

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STEVE MCMAHON: Hot favourite

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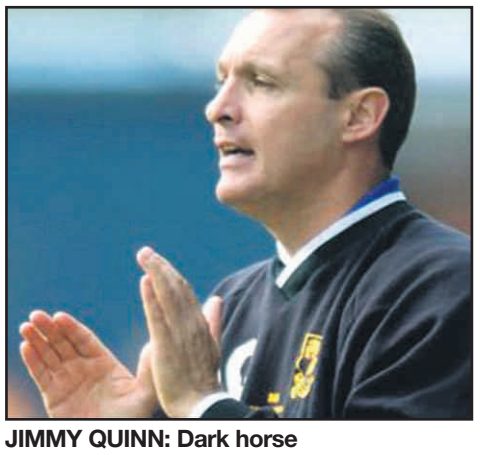

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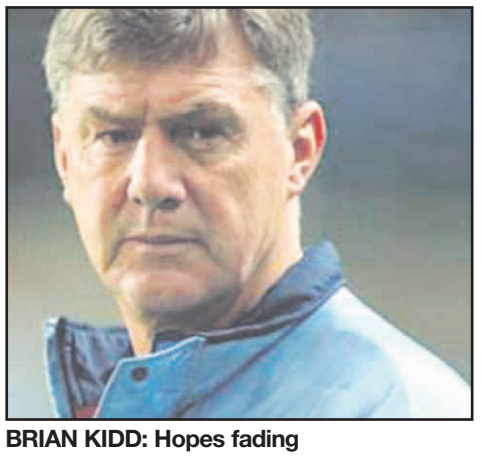

BRIAN KIDD: Hopes fading

MYSTERY MAN: Will Scally spring a surprise?

Scally, however, has kept his preferred new boss to himself but knows the type of person he wants to lead the Gills.

In his programme notes before the Leyton Orient game, he said: "I am attempting to reach a situation whereby I can talk to the final candidate.

"It would have been very easy to appoint someone quickly to appease the pressure that I am under to appoint a management team.

"However, for me, this next appointment must be right in every sense and I have a very clear idea in my head as to the qualities needed by the new man to take up the hot seat."

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